



Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday, 22 June 2010

The Senate met from 12.30 pm until 8.49 pm

Legislation

[For bills and related documents](#)

Bills considered

The following bills were introduced

- Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2010-2011
Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2010-2011
Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2010-2011
[passed by the House of Representatives on 21 June 2010]
- Corporations Amendment (Corporate Reporting Reform) Bill 2010
[passed by the House of Representatives on 21 June 2010]
- Financial Sector Legislation Amendment (Prudential Refinements and Other Measures) Bill 2010 [passed by the House of Representatives on 21 June 2010]
- National Health Amendment (Continence Aids Payment Scheme) Bill 2010 [passed by the House of Representatives on 21 June 2010]
- National Integrity Commissioner Bill 2010 [private senator's bill]
- Tax Laws Amendment (2010 GST Administration Measures No. 3) Bill 2010 [passed by the House of Representatives on 21 June 2010]
- Territories Law Reform Bill 2010 [passed by the House of Representatives on 21 June 2010]

The following bill was debated

- Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Bill 2010—committee of the whole commenced—8 Government [amendments agreed to](#) [further amendments remain to be considered]

The following bill was passed

- Wild Rivers (Environmental Management) Bill 2010 [No. 2] [a [motion](#) to give precedence to the bill was debated and agreed to – [first speaker](#)] [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill]

Motion negated

A motion moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Bob Brown) to suspend standing orders to give precedence to the Preventing the Misuse of Government Advertising Bill 2010 was debated and negated [[first speaker](#)].

See **Committees** for details of reports relating to legislation

Committees

For scheduled [public committee hearings](#)

For [committee reports](#)

Reports tabled

Report on legislation

- Wild Rivers (Environmental Management) Bill 2010 [No. 2]—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—[Final report](#)

Other reports

- Corporations and Financial Services Joint Committee—[Statutory oversight](#) of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission
- Intelligence and Security Joint Committee—Review of administration and expenditure: [No. 8](#)—Australian intelligence agencies [a [motion](#) to take note of the report was agreed to]
- Migration Joint Committee—[Enabling Australia](#): Inquiry into the migration treatment of disability [a [motion](#) was moved to take note of the report]
- Privileges Committee—
 - [145th report](#): Persons referred to in the Senate—Mr Geordie Guy on behalf of Electronic Frontiers Australia Inc. [a [motion](#) to adopt the report was agreed to]
 - [146th report](#): Persons referred to in the Senate—Ms Vicki Dunstan on behalf of the Church of Scientology Australia [a [motion](#) to adopt the report was agreed to]
- Procedure Committee—[2nd report of 2010](#)—Arrangements for the opening of Parliament and Rules for questions under standing order 73
- Treaties Joint Committee—
 - [Report No. 111](#)—Treaties tabled on 25 November 2009 (3), 4 and 24 February 2010
 - [Report No. 112](#)—Treaties tabled on 9, 10, 15, 16 and 29 March 2010

Government responses tabled

- Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity Joint Committee—Examination of the annual report for 2007-08 of the Integrity Commissioner
- Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity Joint Committee—Inquiry into law enforcement integrity models
- Australian Crime Commission Joint Committee—Examination of the annual report of 2007-08 of the Australian Crime Commission
- Community Affairs Committee—Beyond petrol sniffing: Renewing hope for Indigenous communities; and Grasping the opportunity of Opal: Assessing the impact of the petrol sniffing strategy

New inquiry

The Senate [referred matters](#) relating to industry skills councils to the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee to report by 30 September 2010.

Reporting dates extended

The Senate extended reporting dates for the following inquiries:

- ❑ Agricultural and Related Industries Select Committee—Incidence and severity of bushfires across Australia—to report by 13 August 2010
- ❑ Community Affairs Legislation Committee—Poker Machine (Reduced Losses—Interim Measures) Bill 2009 and the Protecting Problem Gamblers Bill 2009—to report by 28 October 2010
- ❑ Community Affairs References Committee—New therapeutic groups under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme—to report by 26 August 2010
- ❑ Environment, Communications and the Arts References Committee—Energy Efficient Homes Package—to report by 24 June 2010
- ❑ Reform of the Australian Federation Select Committee—to report by 17 November 2010
- ❑ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Import restrictions on beef—Final report—to report by 23 June 2010

[Notices of motion](#) given

To refer matters to committees

- ❑ Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Matters relating to the Blueprint for the Reform of Australian Government Administration—to report by 26 August 2010—notice given by Senator Ryan
- ❑ Privileges Committee—Adequacy of advice contained in the Government Guidelines for Official Witnesses before Parliamentary Committees and Related Matters—to report by 2 September 2010—notice given by Senator Trood
- ❑ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Matters relating to biosecurity and quarantine arrangements—to report by 22 November 2010—notice given by Senators Nash and Colbeck

To modify an order of the Senate

- ❑ Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee—Order of the Senate of [28 October 2009](#)—notice given by Senator Marshall

To vary the appointment of a committee

- ❑ Fuel and Energy Select Committee—notice given by Senator Cormann

Documents

Delegated legislation

See [Disallowance Alert](#) for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

- ❑ [Clerk's documents](#) were tabled [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

Motion to disallow debated

A motion moved by Senator Xenophon to disallow the Aviation Transport Security Amendment Regulations 2010 (No. 1) [[homepage](#)] was debated [[first speaker](#)]. The debate will continue on a future sitting day.

Notice of intention to withdraw a notice

Senator Xenophon gave notice of his intention to withdraw a notice of motion to disallow regulations 4.67C and 4.67E in item [2] of Schedule 1 to the Aviation Transport Security Amendment Regulations 2010 (No. 1). [[homepage](#)]

Orders for the production of documents

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to the following orders:

- ❑ Minister representing the Minister for Environment Protection, Heritage and the Arts (Senator Wong) to [table documents](#) relating to a study in estimating consumers' willingness to pay for improvements in packaging and beverage container waste management—no later than 9.30 pm on 24 June 2010
- ❑ Minister representing the Prime Minister (Senator Evans) to [table a copy](#) of the report prepared by the Energy Efficiency task force—no later than noon on 23 June 2010
- ❑ Special Minister of State (Senator Ludwig) to [table documents](#) relating to the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies—no later than 2.00 pm on 23 June 2010

Notice of motion given

Senator Siewert gave a [notice of motion](#) to require the Minister representing the Minister for Resources and Energy (Senator Carr) to table the report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Montara oil spill—no later than 24 June 2010.

Documents tabled

- ❑ Auditor-General—[Audit report](#) no. 46 of 2009-10
- ❑ [Government documents](#)

Ministerial statement tabled

The Minister for Innovation, Industry, Science and Research (Senator Carr) tabled a ministerial statement about the loss of the *Montevideo Maru*.

Other business

[Questions without notice and issues arising during question time—first question](#)
[Adjournment debate—first speaker](#)

Motions agreed to

- ❑ [Contribution of refugees](#) to Australian society—moved by Senator Hanson-Young
- ❑ [Division of senators](#) into two classes after a double dissolution—moved by Senator Ronaldson
- ❑ [Millennium Development Goals](#)—moved by Senator Barnett

