



## This week at a glance

### A preview of Senate business

**27 February to 1 March 2012**

On the first day of each sitting week the Senate Daily Summary outlines the business scheduled for consideration in the Senate. On subsequent days, it provides a convenient summary of the previous day's proceedings in the Senate, with links to official Senate records.

Another document useful in tracking the business of the Senate is the [Dynamic Red](#), which records proceedings in the Senate as they happen.

### Legislation

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[Bills and related documents](#)

#### Bills to be considered

The Government has scheduled bills for debate this week, as follows:

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- Broadcasting Services Amendment (Regional Commercial Radio) Bill 2011 [2012] [\[homepage\]](#)
- National Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2010 [\[homepage\]](#)
- Nuclear Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [\[homepage\]](#)

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- Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 [\[homepage\]](#)
- Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency Bill 2011 [\[homepage\]](#)  
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Universal Service Reform) Bill 2011 [\[homepage\]](#)  
Telecommunications (Industry Levy) Bill 2011 [\[homepage\]](#)

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- Cybercrime Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [\[homepage\]](#)
- Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection Service and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [\[homepage\]](#)  
Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Tuition Protection Service) Bill 2011 [\[homepage\]](#)  
Education Services for Overseas Students (TPS Levies) Bill 2011 [\[homepage\]](#)
- Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Raising the Bar) Bill 2011 [2012] [\[homepage\]](#)

- National Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]

### **1 March 2012**

- Australian Research Council Amendment Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- Extradition and Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- National Health Amendment (Fifth Community Pharmacy Agreement Initiatives) Bill 2012 [[homepage](#)]
- Tax Laws Amendment (2011 Measures No. 9) Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]

Source: <http://www.dpmc.gov.au/parliamentary/index.cfm>

### **Private senators' bills to be debated**

On [22 November 2010](#) the Senate agreed to a temporary order allowing private senators' bills to be considered on Thursdays. On 1 March 2012 the following bills are scheduled for debate:

- Commonwealth Commissioner for Children and Young People Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- Environment Protection (Beverage Container Deposit and Recovery Scheme) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]

## **Committees**

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[Scheduled public committee hearings](#)

### **Reports due to be tabled this week**

Reports on legislation

#### **27 February 2012**

- Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection Service and Other Measures) Bill 2011 and 2 related bills—Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee
- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Protecting Australia's Water Resources) Bill 2011—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
- Fair Work Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industry) Bill 2011 [2012]—Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee
- Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
- Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012—Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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- Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
- Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2012—Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee

- Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records Bill 2011 and a related bill—Community Affairs Legislation Committee
- Qantas Sale Amendment (Still Call Australia Home) Bill 2011—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

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- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Emergency Listings) Bill 2011—Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Other reports

**29 February 2012**

- Community Affairs References Committee—Commonwealth contribution to former forced adoption policies

**1 March 2012**

- Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee—Higher education and skills training for agriculture and agribusiness
- Finance and Public Administration References Committee—The operation of the Lobbying Code of Conduct and the Lobbyist Register

**Proposed references**

**27 February 2012**

- Impacts of the coal seam gas industry—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—to report by 22 August 2012—notice given by Senator Waters

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- Fifth Community Pharmacy Agreement—Community Affairs References Committee—to report by 30 June 2012—notice given by Senator Di Natale

**Other business**

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[Documents presented out of sitting to be tabled on 27 February 2012](#)

**Delegated legislation**

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

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**Online**

The *Senate Daily Summary* is available at [www.aph.gov.au/senate](http://www.aph.gov.au/senate)

It is issued by the Senate Table Office as a convenient summary of each day's proceedings in the Senate. For a complete account see the official record, the [\*Journals of the Senate\*](#).

**Related resources**

The *Order of Business* (or 'Senate Red') and the *Dynamic Red* (which updates the *Order of Business* throughout the sitting day) are also available at [www.aph.gov.au/senate](http://www.aph.gov.au/senate)

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