



Senate Daily Summary

29 June 2000

The Senate met from 9.30am until 2.26am (30 June 2000)

The Senate has now completed its Budget sittings and will commence Spring sittings on [14 August 2000](#)

Legislation

[For full text of bills and other associated documents click here](#) 

The following bills were introduced in the Senate

Compensation Measures Legislation Amendment (Rent Assistance Increase) Bill 2000
Defence Legislation Amendment (Flexible Career Practices) Bill 2000
Primary Industries Legislation Amendment (Vegetable Levy) Bill 2000
Therapeutic Goods Amendment Bill (No. 3) 2000

The following bills were passed

Without amendments

[These bills will now be assented to]

Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2000-2001
Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2000-2001
Compensation Measures Legislation Amendment (Rent Assistance Increase) Bill 2000
Customs Amendment (Alcoholic Beverages) Bill 2000
Excise Amendment (Alcoholic Beverages) Bill 2000
International Tax Agreements Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2000
Primary Industries Legislation Amendment (Vegetable Levy) Bill 2000
Product Stewardship (Oil) Bill 2000
Product Stewardship (Oil) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2000
Sales Tax (Customs) (Industrial Safety Equipment) Bill 2000
Sales Tax (Excise) (Industrial Safety Equipment) Bill 2000
Sales Tax (General) (Industrial Safety Equipment) Bill 2000
Sales Tax (Industrial Safety Equipment) (Transitional Provisions) Bill 2000

Without requests

[These bills will now be assented to]

Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2000-2001
Customs Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Waste Oil) Bill 2000
Excise Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Waste Oil) Bill 2000

New Business Tax System (Alienated Personal Services Income) Tax Imposition Bill (No. 1) 2000

New Business Tax System (Alienated Personal Services Income) Tax Imposition Bill (No.2) 2000

With amendments

A New Tax System (Tax Administration) Bill (No. 2) 2000—([1 Democrat amendment](#) agreed to) [The House of Representatives disagreed to the Senate amendment. The Senate did not insist on its amendment. The bill will now be assented to]

Broadcasting Services Amendment (Digital Television and Datacasting) Bill 2000—([33 Government \(1 amended by Opposition\), 1 Democrat and 7 Opposition amendments](#) agreed to) [The House of Representatives agreed to the Senate amendments. The bill will now be assented to.]

Datacasting Charge (Imposition) Amendment Bill 2000—([1 Democrat amendment](#) agreed to) [The House of Representatives agreed to the Senate amendment. The bill will now be assented to.]

New Business Tax System (Alienation of Personal Services Income) Bill 2000—([10 Government, 1 Opposition and 2 Democrat requests for amendments](#) agreed to) [The House of Representatives made 10 of the Senate requests, disagreed to 3 and made one substitute amendment. The Senate did not press the 3 requests and agreed to the substitute amendment. The bill will now be assented to.]

New Business Tax System (Integrity Measures) Bill 2000—([2 Democrat amendments](#) agreed to) [The House of Representatives agreed to the Senate amendments. The bill will now be assented to.]

New Business Tax System (Miscellaneous) Bill (No. 2) 2000—([25 items and 4 sections negated, 4 Democrat amendments agreed to](#)) [The House of Representatives agreed to the Senate amendments. The bill will now be assented to.]

Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2000—([9 Democrat amendments](#) agreed to) [The House of Representatives agreed to the Senate amendments. The bill will now be assented to.]

The following messages from the House of Representatives were reported

Environment and Heritage Legislation Amendment Bill 2000—The Senate considered a message from the House of Representatives agreeing to the bill with amendments. The Senate agreed to the amendments made by the House. [The bill will now be assented to]

Indirect Tax Legislation Amendment Bill 2000—The message reported that the House of Representatives had agreed to the amendments made by the Senate [The bill will now be assented to]

Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Matters) Bill 2000—The Senate considered a message from the House of Representatives disagreeing to amendments made by the Senate. The Senate agreed not to insist on the amendments. [The bill will now be assented to]

The following bill was exempted from the cut-off order (to enable consideration this period of sittings)

Compensation Measures Legislation Amendment (Rent Assistance Increase) Bill 2000

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

Committees

[For scheduled public committee hearings click here](#) 

[For committee reports click here](#) 

Reports tabled

- ❑ Development of the Brisbane Airport Corporation Master Plan—Rural and Regional and Transport References Committee
- ❑ Fair Prices and Better Access for All (Petroleum) Bill 1999 and related matters (Interim report)—Economics References Committee
- ❑ Humanity diminished: The crime of genocide—Inquiry into the Anti-Genocide Bill 1999—Legal and Constitutional References Committee
- ❑ Matters arising from 67th report of the Committee of Privileges ([92nd Report](#))—Privileges Committee
- ❑ Publications Committee—[16th report](#) (report adopted)

Government responses


Government responses to committee reports tabled

- ❑ 15th report—Treaties Joint Committee
- ❑ Loss of the HMAS *Sydney*—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee
- ❑ Termination of the Social Security Agreement with the United Kingdom (27th report)—Treaties Joint Committee

President's report on Government responses tabled

President's report on government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 29 June 2000

Membership

The Senate agreed to a number of changes to committee membership   

New inquiries

Reference of bills

- ❑ Renewable Energy (Electricity) Bill 2000 and Renewable (Electricity) (Charge) Bill 2000—Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee—to report by 15 August 2000
- ❑ States Grants (Primary and Secondary Education Assistance) Bill 2000—Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee—to report by 6 September 2000
- ❑ Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill 2000 and the Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2000—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee—to report by 28 August 2000

Reference of matters

- ❑ Banking practices and related matters—Economics References Committee
- ❑ Mass marketed tax effective schemes and investor protection and related matters—Economics References Committee

Meeting

The Senate agreed that the following public meeting may be held while the Senate is sitting:

- ❑ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee—30 June 2000

Reporting dates

The Senate agreed to the following extensions of time for committees to report:

- ❑ Australia in relation to Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee–to report by 16 August 2000
- ❑ Fair Prices and Better Access for All (Petroleum) Bill 1999 and related matters–Economics References Committee–to report by 30 August 2000

Notice of motion given

To establish a new committee

[Select Committee for an inquiry into Lucas Heights Replacement Reactor proposal](#) and related matters–to report by 5 September 2000

Delegated legislation

[For a complete list of notices of motion to disallow \(and outcomes\) click here](#) 

Notices of motion given

Notices of motion were given to disallow [11 instruments](#)–15 sitting days after 29 June 2000

Notice of motion withdrawn

A notice of motion to disallow the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park (Aquaculture) Regulations 2000 (Statutory Rules 2000 No. 6) was withdrawn

See the **Documents** section for details of instruments tabled

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions without debate which related to:

- ❑ [Draught beer–Taxation](#)–Moved by Senator Cook
- ❑ [Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty](#)–Moved by Senator Allison
- ❑ [Sitting pattern change](#)–Moved by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts

Notices of motion

[For other notices of motion not mentioned elsewhere click here](#) 

Orders for the return of documents

Documents tabled

Environment Management Plans for Puckapunyal, Mangalore and Longlea were tabled (in response to a motion moved by Senator Allison on 21 June 2000 and agreed to by the Senate on 22 June 2000)

Statement

The Assistant Treasurer made [a statement](#) indicating that the order relating to petrol pricing (notice of motion given by Senator Cook on 26 June 2000 and agreed to by the Senate on 27 June 2000) would not be complied with

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ Auditor-General–Report No. 49 of 1999-2000–Performance audit–Indigenous Land Corporation–Operations and performance
- ❑ Auditor-General–Report No. 50 of 1999-2000–Performance audit–Management audit branch–Follow-up: Department of Defence
- ❑ Auditor-General–Report No. 51 of 1999-2000–Performance audit–Program management in the Training and Youth Division of the Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs–Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs
- ❑ [Clerk's documents](#) (disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled)
- ❑ [Government documents](#)

Petitions

[9 petitions were tabled](#)

Also in the Senate yesterday

- ❑ Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- ❑ Adjournment debate

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