



This week at a glance

10 to 12 May 2011

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.

Budget 2011-12

On 10 May the Treasurer will make the Budget statement for 2011-12 in the House of Representatives. The statement and associated documents will subsequently be tabled in the Senate. Relevant documents will be referred to committees to examine during the estimates hearings from 23 May to 3 June.

Legislation

For [bills and related documents](#)

Bills to be considered

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

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- ❑ Australian Research Council Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Dividend and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Enrolment and Prisoner Voting) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Provisional Voting) Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Electronic Transactions Amendment Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ National Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Regulatory Levies Legislation Amendment (2011 Measures No. 1) Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Regulatory Levies (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Personal Property Securities (Corporations and Other Amendments) Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Remuneration and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (2011 Measures No. 1) Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]

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- ❑ Autonomous Sanctions Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Combating the Financing of People Smuggling and Other Measures Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Human Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Sex and Age Discrimination Legislation Amendment Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (Research and Development) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Income Tax Rates Amendment (Research and Development) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Therapeutic Goods Legislation Amendment (Copyright) Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]

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- ❑ Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Student Services and Amenities) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Higher Education Support Amendment (No. 1) Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Product Stewardship Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (2010 Measures No. 5) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]

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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 12 May 2011 the following bills are scheduled for debate:

- ❑ Wild Rivers (Environmental Management) Bill 2011 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits Amendment (Fair Indexation) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Assisting Victims of Overseas Terrorism Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ National Broadband Network Financial Transparency Bill 2010 (No. 2) [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Evidence Amendment (Journalists' Privilege) Bill 2010 (No. 2) [[homepage](#)]

Committees

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

Reports due to be tabled this week

Reports on legislation

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- ❑ Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits Amendment (Fair Indexation) Bill 2010, together with the amendments on sheet 7027 circulated by Senator Ronaldson and a related matter—Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
- ❑ Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Bill 2011 and a related bill—Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee

- ❑ Wild Rivers (Environmental Management) Bill 2011 provisions which had not been previously examined by the committee in its report into the Wild Rivers (Environmental Management) Bill 2010 [No. 2]—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

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- ❑ Commonwealth Commissioner for Children and Young People Bill 2010—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Other reports

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- ❑ Rural Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee—Exposure draft and explanatory memorandum of the Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011

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- ❑ Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—*Water Act 2007* provisions relating to the development of a Basin Plan

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- ❑ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Equity and diversity health checks in the Royal Australian Navy
- ❑ Senators' Interests Committee—Development of a draft code of conduct for senators

Other business

For a complete list of documents presented out of sitting to be tabled on 10 May 2011 [click here](#).

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 on the Internet at 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*, on the Internet at <http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/pubs/index.htm>.

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 on the Internet at www.aph.gov.au/senate

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