



Senate Daily Summary

5 June 2000

The Senate met from 12.30pm until 10.51pm

New senator sworn in

[Senator George Brandis](#) (Liberal Party, Queensland) was sworn in to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator the Hon. Warwick Parer

Centenary of Federation

The President tabled a letter from the Presiding Officers of the Houses of the Parliament of Victoria conveying an invitation to meet in Melbourne on 9 and 10 May 2001 to commemorate the first sittings of the Houses of the Commonwealth Parliament in 1901

Legislation

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

The following bills were introduced in the Senate

Administrative Decisions (Effect of International Instruments) Bill 1999
Local Government (Financial Assistance) Amendment 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
New Business Tax System (Alienation of Personal Services Income) Bill 2000
Petroleum Excise Amendment (Measures to Address Evasion) Bill 2000
Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment 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
Workplace Relations Amendment Bill 2000

The following bill was considered

Health Legislation Amendment (Gap Cover Schemes) Bill 2000—second reading agreed to

The following bills were passed

Without amendments

New Business Tax System (Venture Capital Deficit Tax) Bill 1999

With amendments

[The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate to these bills]

A New Tax System (Trade Practices Amendment) Bill 2000 ([2 Opposition](#))

New Business Tax System (Miscellaneous) Bill 1999 ([7 Government](#))

Bills assented to

[Assent](#) to several bills was reported in the Senate

Proclamations

[Proclamations](#) by the Governor-General were tabled announcing when particular Acts or parts of Acts would commence

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

Committees

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

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Estimates

Additional information tabled

Additional information received by the following committees was tabled:

- ❑ Community Affairs Legislation Committee—Additional estimates 1999-2000 (volumes 1-3)
- ❑ Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee—Estimates 1999-2000 supplementary hearings (volumes 1-4)

Reports tabled

- ❑ Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service and the importation of salmon—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
- ❑ New Business Tax System (Alienation of Personal Services Income) Bill 2000 and related bills—Economics Legislation Committee
- ❑ Postal Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2000—Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee
- ❑ Privileges Committee—90th Report (report adopted and a reply from a person adversely commented on in the Senate was included in [Hansard](#))
- ❑ Public Works (Joint Committee)—4th report of 2000—Proposed housing development at Parap Grove, Darwin
- ❑ Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Matters) Bill 2000—Community Affairs Legislation Committee
- ❑ State of the environment of Gulf St Vincent—Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee
- ❑ Treaties (Joint Committee)—32nd and 33rd Reports
- ❑ Workplace Relations Amendment Bill 2000—Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee

Notice of motion given

To extend reporting deadline

Consistency of the *Native Title Amendment Act 1998* with Australia's international obligations under the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination–Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund Joint Committee–28 June 2000

To establish a new committee

- [Select Committee on Child Migration](#)–to report by 14 May 2001

Delegated legislation

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



Notice of motion given (to withdraw notices)

A notice of intention was given to withdraw notices to disallow:

- Parliamentary Service Determination 1999/2, made under the *Parliamentary Service Act 1999*
- Public Service Commissioner's Directions, made under the *Public Service Act 1999*
- Public Service Regulations, as contained in Statutory Rules 1999 No. 300 and made under the *Public Service Act 1999*

Motion agreed to

The Senate agreed to [a motion](#) which related to the first Australian to carry the Olympic Torch from Olympia–Moved by Senator Schacht

Notices of motion

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

Orders for the return of documents

Motion agreed to

The Senate ordered the Minister representing the Minister for Transport and Regional Services to table a response to the final report prepared for the Federal Office of Road Safety by Roaduser International Pty Ltd, *Investigation into the specification of heavy trucks and consequent effects on truck dynamics and drivers* (no later than immediately after questions without notice on 19 June 2000)

Notice of motion given

Senator O'Brien gave a notice of motion to require the Minister representing the Minister for Transport and Regional Services to table certain documents which relate to the operation of ARCAS, which trades as Air Facilities (no later than 5pm on 8 June 2000)

Document tabled

Statement of compliance relating to indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 July to 31 December 1999 (*order agreed to 30 May 1996, as amended 3 December 1998*) for the Attorney-General's portfolio was tabled

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ Auditor-General—Report No. 44 of 1999-2000—Performance audit—Management of Job Network contracts: Department of Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business
- ❑ Auditor-General—Report No. 45 of 1999-2000—Performance audit—Commonwealth foreign exchange risk management practices
- ❑ [Clerk's documents](#) (disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled)
- ❑ Election 1998—Australian Electoral Commission—Funding and disclosure report following the federal election held on 3 October 1998
- ❑ [Government documents](#)
- ❑ [Portfolio budget statements](#)

Petitions

[6 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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