The Senate met from 9.30am until 7.10pm

**Legislation**
For full text of bills and other associated documents click here

**The following bills was introduced in the Senate**
Customs Tariff Amendment Bill (No. 4) 2000
Lake Eyre Basin Intergovernmental Agreement Bill 2000
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Post-retirement Commutations) Bill 2000

**The following bills were considered**
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Multi-channelling) Bill 2001–This bill was created when the Senate agreed to a motion moved by Senator Bourne to divide the Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 [2001] into two separate bills. The Senate also agreed to two other motions moved by Senator Bourne: to amend the new bill and to postpone further consideration of the bill until 6 August 2001
Customs Tariff Amendment (Petrol Tax Cut) Bill 2001 [Private senator’s bill]–second reading debate continued
Excise Tariff Amendment (Petrol Tax Cut) Bill 2001 [Private senator’s bill]–second reading debate continued

**The following bills were passed**
*Without amendments*
[These bills will now be assented to]*
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment Bill 2000
Communications and the Arts Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code) Bill 2000

*With amendments*
Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 [2001]–This bill was divided into two (see the section on the consideration of bills, above). The remainder of the original bill was passed [Government and Opposition amendments to the bill were agreed to on 27/2/01]
Law and Justice Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code) Bill 2001–2 Government amendments agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill as amended]
Workplace Relations Amendment (Tallies and Picnic Days) Bill 2000–5 Democrat amendments agreed to (1 amended by 2 Opposition) [The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]

See the Committees section for details of reports relating to legislation

Committees
For scheduled public committee hearings click here
For committee reports click here

Report tabled
- National Crime Authority Legislation Bill 2000–National Crime Authority Joint Committee

Government responses to committee reports tabled
- Australia and APEC: A review of Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation–Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade References Committee
- Australia and ASEAN: Managing change–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee
- Australia’s trade relationship with India: Commonwealth, common language, cricket and beyond–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee
- Islands to islands: Communication with Australia’s external territories–National Capital and External Territories Joint Committee
- Japan’s economy: Implications for Australia–Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade References Committee
- Privacy Amendment (Private Sector) Bill 2000–Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee
- The 1998 federal election: Inquiry into the conduct of the 1998 federal election and matters related thereto–Electoral Matters Joint Committee

Membership
The Senate agreed to the following change to committee membership:
- Community Affairs Legislation Committee–Senator Forshaw to replace Senator Evans for the consideration of the Australia New Zealand Food Authority Amendment Bill 2001

Notice of motion given to extend reporting deadlines
- Sale of Christmas Island resort–National Capital and External Territories Joint Committee–18 June 2001
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 the following:

- Nuclear Non-Proliferation (Safeguards) Amendment Regulations 2000 (No. 3), as contained in Statutory Rules 2000 No. 305 and made under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation (Safeguards) Act 1987–15 sitting days after today–by the Chairman of the Regulations and Ordinances Committee

See the Documents section for details of instruments tabled

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to a motion without debate about:

- Genetically-modified crops in Tasmania–moved by Senator Brown
- National Missile Defence System–moved by Senator Cook [a Democrat amendment moved to the motion was negatived]
- Noel Butlin Archives–moved by Senator Carr

Motion defeated

A motion moved by Senator Allison about the Formula One Grand Prix to be held in Melbourne was defeated

Notices of motion
For other notices of motion not mentioned elsewhere click here

Orders for the production of documents

Motion agreed to

The Senate ordered the Minister for Industry, Science and Resources to table a list of certain firms registered for the TCF Strategic Investment Program (no later than immediately after taking note of answers to questions without notice on 26 March 2001)–motion moved by Senator George Campbell

Notice of motion given

Senator Cook gave a notice of motion to require the Minister representing the Treasurer to table certain Segment Accountability reports and other documents (no later than immediately after motions to take note of answers to questions without notice on 7 March 2001)
Documents

The following documents were tabled:
- Clerk’s documents [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
  No government documents were tabled

Petitions

2 petitions were received

Also in the Senate yesterday

- Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- Senator Schacht was suspended from the sitting of the Senate for the rest of the day for persistent and wilful refusal to conform to standing orders
- Government documents, committee reports, government responses and Auditor-General’s reports were further discussed
- Adjournment debate

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