



Senate Daily Summary

Thursday 9 August 2001

The Senate met from 9.30am until 6.53pm

Legislation

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The following bills were introduced in the Senate

Corporations (Compensation Arrangements Levies) Bill 2001
Corporations (Fees) Amendment Bill 2001
Corporations (National Guarantee Fund Levies) Amendment Bill 2001
Financial Services Reform Bill 2001
Financial Services Reform (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2001

The following bills were considered

Job Network Monitoring Authority Bill 2000 [No. 2] [Private senator's bill]—
second reading debate continued
Second reading debate continued on the following bills—
 Australian Heritage Council Bill 2000 [2001]
 Australian Heritage Council (Consequential and Transitional
 Provisions) Bill 2000 [2001]
 Environment and Heritage Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2000
 [2001]

The following bill was passed without amendment

Trade Marks and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2001 [This bill will now
be assented to]

The following message from the House of Representatives was reported

Workplace Relations Amendment (Termination of Employment) Bill
2000—The message reported that the House of Representatives had agreed
to the [amendments made by the Senate](#) [This bill will now be assented to]

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

Committees

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Reports tabled

- ❑ *Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Account Bill 2001*–Community Affairs Legislation Committee
- ❑ Appropriations and Staffing–Report for 2000-01–Appropriations and Staffing Standing Committee
- ❑ *Parliamentary (Choice of Superannuation) Bill 2001*–Superannuation and Financial Services Select Committee
- ❑ *Patents Amendment Bill 2001*–Economics Legislation Committee
- ❑ Publications Committee–[27th Report](#) (report adopted)
- ❑ Work of committees 1 January to 30 June 2001 and consolidated statistics for 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001

Correspondence tabled

The Chairman of the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee incorporated in [Hansard](#) correspondence received from the Secretary of the Department of the Environment and Heritage relating to comments made to him during budget estimates hearings on 4 and 5 June 2001.

Government responses to committee reports tabled

- ❑ *Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2000*–Migration Joint Committee
- ❑ Treaties 8th Report–Treaties Joint Committee
- ❑ Treaties 11th Report [Agreement with Kazakstan; treaties tabled on 30 September and 21 October 1997]–Treaties Joint Committee

Membership

[The Senate agreed](#) to committee membership changes

Meetings

Public meetings

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

- ❑ Economics References Committee–21 August 2001 from 3.30pm and 23 August 2001 from 3.30pm

Reporting date

Message from the House of Representatives reported

A message from the House of Representatives was reported advising that the reporting date for the Joint Select Committee on the Intelligence Service was extended to 27 August 2001

Notice of motion given

To hold a public meeting when the Senate is sitting

- ❑ Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee–20 August 2001 from 6.00pm

Motion defeated

A motion moved by Senator Cook to establish a Select Committee on the Impacts of the New Tax System was defeated

Delegated legislation

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

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions without debate about:

- ❑ [Budgewoi Public School](#) facilities and capital grants to government schools—moved by Senator Allison
- ❑ [Ozone-depleting gases](#)—moved by Senator Brown
- ❑ [International Day](#) of the World's Indigenous Peoples—moved by Senator Ridgeway
- ❑ [Old-growth forests](#) and high conservation forests—moved by Senator Brown

Notices of motion

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

Orders for the production of documents

Motions agreed to

- ❑ [The Senate ordered](#) the Minister representing the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Trade to table all documents held by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade relating to an agreement this year between Australia and Japan to end the port ban on Japanese fishing boats (no later than immediately after motions to take note of answers to question without notice on 30 August 2001)—motion moved by Senator Greig
- ❑ [The Senate ordered](#) the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry to table copies of certain arrangements between the Commonwealth and South Australia about the rock lobster fishery (no later than immediately after motions to take note of answers to question without notice on 30 August 2001)—motion moved by Senator Greig

Document tabled

A statement of compliance relating to indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 January to 30 June 2001 (*order agreed to 30 May 1996, as amended 3 December 1998*) for the Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman was tabled

Question on notice—failure to provide answer

[Senator Crossin](#) asked the Minister representing the Minister for Aged Care for an explanation why an answer was not provided within 30 days to a question relating to the aged care adjustment grants for small rural facilities initiative. [The Minister](#) indicated that she would establish why an answer had not been provided and advise Senator Crossin. The Senate noted the Minister's response.

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ Auditor-General–Report No. 6 of 2001-2002–Performance audit–Commonwealth fisheries management: Follow-up audit–Australian Fisheries Management Authority
- ❑ Auditor-General–Report No. 7 of 2001-2002–Audit activity report: January to June 2001–Summary of outcomes
- ❑ Auditor-General–Report No. 8 of 2001-2002–Assurance and control assessment audit: Disposal of infrastructure, plant and equipment
- ❑ Australian parliamentary delegation to United Kingdom and Canada–Child migration issues report
- ❑ [Centenary](#) of First Meetings of Parliament–Videos (2) and booklets (2)
- ❑ Choice of John Cherry–Original certificate by Parliament of Queensland
- ❑ [Clerk's documents](#) [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

No government documents were tabled

Petitions

No petitions were received

Also in the Senate yesterday

- ❑ Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- ❑ Government documents, committee reports, government responses and Auditor-General's reports were further discussed
- ❑ Adjournment debate

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