

# Senate Daily Summary

Thursday 17 October 2002

The Senate met from 9.30am until 6.46pm

## Legislation

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### The following bills were introduced in the Senate

- Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment Bill 2002
- Excise Laws Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2002
- Excise Tariff Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2002
- Inspector-General of Taxation Bill 2002
- New Business Tax System (Consolidation and Other Measures) Bill (No. 1) 2002
- New Business Tax System (Franking Deficit Tax) Amendment Bill 2002
- Vocational Education and Training Funding Amendment Bill 2002

### The following bill was considered

- Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Legislation Amendment (Terrorism) Bill 2002—second reading debate begun [the Opposition moved a second reading amendment to the bill expressing a view about the bill's policy and proposing that it be referred, together with certain related matters, to the Legal and Constitutional References Committee for inquiry and report by 3 December 2002. The second reading amendment is yet to be determined]

### The following bills were passed

#### *Without amendments*

[These bills will now be assented to]

- Research Agencies Legislation Amendment Bill 2002
- Space Activities Amendment Bill 2002
- Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No. 3) 2002
- Treasury Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2002



**The following messages from the House of Representatives were reported**

- ❑ Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) Bill 2002—The message reported that the House of Representatives had not made the [amendment](#) requested by the Senate [The Senate will now reconsider the request]
- ❑ Workplace Relations Amendment (Genuine Bargaining) Bill 2002—The message reported that the House of Representatives had agreed to [amendments](#) nos 1, 2, 3, 6 and 7 made by the Senate, and disagreed to amendments nos 4 and 5 [The Senate will now reconsider the amendments disagreed to by the House]

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

**Delegated legislation**

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

**Notice of intention given to withdraw a notice**

A notice of intention was given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances to withdraw a notice to disallow Regulations 65.060 and 65.270 in item [1] of Schedule 1 of the Civil Aviation Amendment Regulations 2002 (No. 2), as contained in Statutory Rules 2002 No. 167 and made under the *Civil Aviation Act 1988*

**Notice of motion withdrawn**

A notice of motion to disallow the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Amendment Regulations 2002 (No. 1) and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Amendments Regulations 2002 (No. 2), as contained in Statutory Rules 2002 Nos 72 and 73, respectively, and made under the *Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act 1975*, was withdrawn. The President made a [statement](#) about the withdrawal of the notice.

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

**Committees**

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

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**Reporting dates**

The Senate agreed to the following extension of time for a committee to report:

- ❑ Tax arrangements for superannuation and related policy—Superannuation Select Committee—10 December 2002

**Notices of motion given**

*To refer matters to committees*

- ❑ Current rural industry-based water resource usage and [related matters](#)—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—to report by the last sitting day in 2003
- ❑ The extent, nature and financial cost of poverty and inequality in Australia, poverty amongst working Australians, child poverty in Australia, poverty in Australian communities and regions, and [related matters](#)—Community Affairs References Committee—to report by the last sitting day of June 2003

### **New inquiry proposed at second reading**

Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Legislation Amendment (Terrorism) Bill 2002–The Opposition moved a second reading amendment to the bill expressing a view about the bill's policy and proposing that it be referred, together with certain related matters, to the Legal and Constitutional References Committee for inquiry and report by 3 December 2002. The second reading amendment is yet to be determined.

### **Motions agreed to**

The Senate agreed to motions without debate about:

- ❑ [Australian Record Industry Association Awards](#)—moved by Senator Stott Despoja
- ❑ [Macular Degeneration and World Retina Day](#)—moved by Senator Allison
- ❑ [Nigerian woman, Ms Amina Lawal](#)— moved by Senator Stott Despoja
- ❑ [Parliamentary zone](#)—approval for the construction of a roof extension to the gardeners' compound to protect the new vehicle washdown bay from weather

### **Motions defeated**

The motions on the following matters were defeated:

- ❑ [Asylum seekers](#)—moved by Senator Bartlett
- ❑ [Publishing Industry—Book Sales](#)—moved Senator Bartlett

### **Notices of motion**

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

### **Ministerial statement**

The Minister for Justice and Customs made a [statement](#) relating to terrorist attacks in Bali and his visit with the Minister for Foreign Affairs to Indonesia

### **Orders for the production of documents**

#### *Motion agreed to*

The Senate [ordered](#) the Minister representing the Minister for Science to table certain documents held by the Office of the Gene Technology Registrar relating to the Canola trial licence application (Application No. DIR 011/2001) (no later than 2 pm on 24 October 2002)—moved by Senator Stott Despoja

## Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ Bali terrorist attacks– [Letters](#) of condolence to the President from various governments and legislatures
- ❑ Plastic bag levy– letter from the President of the Council for the Encouragement of Philanthropy in Australia responding to the resolution of the Senate of 26 September 2002

No government documents were tabled

## Petitions

A [petition](#) was received

## Also in the Senate yesterday

- ❑ Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- ❑ Senator Cherry was nominated as an additional temporary chair of committees
- ❑ Government documents, committee reports, government responses and Auditor-General's reports were discussed
- ❑ Adjournment debate

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