

Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday 24 September 2002

The Senate met from 2.00pm until 8.25pm

Legislation

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

The following bill was introduced in the Senate

- Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) Bill 2002

The following bills were considered

- Workplace Relations Amendment (Genuine Bargaining) Bill 2002—second reading debate continued [together with debate on the [Democrat's amendment](#) expressing a view about the bill's policy]
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Secret Ballots for Protected Action) Bill 2002—second reading debate continued

No bills were passed

The following message from the House of Representatives was reported

- Customs Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2002—The message reported that the House of Representatives had agreed to the [amendments made](#) by the Senate [The bill will now be assented to]

The following bill was exempted from the cut-off order [to enable consideration this period of sittings]

- ACIS Administration Amendment Bill 2002

Notices of motion given to introduce bills

- Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2002—Notice of motion given by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer
- National Gallery Amendment Bill 2002—Notice of motion given by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer

Notices of motion given

To exempt bills from certain provisions of standing order 111 [to enable consideration this period of sittings]

- Dairy Industry Legislation Amendment Bill 2002
- States Grants (Primary and Secondary Education Assistance) Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2002



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 motion given

A notice of motion was given to disallow the following delegated legislation:

- Civil Aviation Amendment Regulations 2002 (No. 2), as contained in Statutory Rules 2002 No. 167 and made under the *Civil Aviation Act 1988*—on 26 September 2002—by Senator O'Brien

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

Committees

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Report tabled

- *The Australian meat industry consultative structure and quota allocation—interim report: Allocation of the US beef quota*—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Membership

The Senate agreed to the following change to committee membership:

- Community Affairs Legislation Committee—Senator Eggleston to replace Senator Heffernan on 24 and 26 September for the consideration of the Research Involving Embryos and Prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002

Meetings

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

- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee—26 September 2002 from 11.45am to 1pm—to take evidence for the committee's inquiry into aspects of the 2000-01 annual report of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

Reporting dates

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

- Urban water management—Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee—24 October 2002

Notices of motion given

To hold a public meeting when the Senate is sitting

- Economics Legislation Committee—14 October 2002 from 5pm—to take evidence for the committee's inquiry into the New Business Tax System (Consolidation, Value Shifting, Demergers and Other Measures) Bill 2002

To extend reporting deadlines

- ❑ A Certain Maritime Incident Select Committee–23 October 2002
- ❑ Excise Laws Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2002 and a related bill–Economics Legislation Committee–22 October 2002
- ❑ Migration Legislation Amendment (Further Border Protection Measures) Bill 2002–Legal and Constitutional References Committee–14 October 2002

Motion agreed to

The Senate agreed to a motion without debate about the [United Nations International Day of Peace](#)–moved by Senator Ridgeway

Motions defeated

The Senate defeated motions without debate about:

- ❑ [Powerlines–Gippsland](#)–moved by Senator Brown
- ❑ [Zimbabwe–Commonwealth Leaders’ Meeting](#)–moved by Senator Stott Despoja
- ❑ [Proposed charcoal plant in Mogo](#)–moved by Senator Nettle

Notices of motion

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

Orders for the production of documents

Notice of motion given

Senator Bartlett gave a notice of motion to require the tabling of [certain documents](#) relating to the Nelly Bay Harbour project (no later than 4pm on 24 October 2002)

Documents tabled

- ❑ Departmental and agency contracts–Letters of advice for the Dairy Adjustment Authority and the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry were tabled (*order agreed to 20 June 2001, amended 27 September 2001*)
- ❑ Statements of compliance relating to indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 January to 30 June 2002 for the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio were tabled (*order agreed to 30 May 1996, amended 3 December 1998*)

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ Australian aid: Investing in growth, stability and prosperity–Eleventh annual statement to Parliament on Australia’s development cooperation program. Senators Sandy Macdonald and Ridgeway [made statements](#) relating to the documents. A motion that the Senate take note of the documents was debated.
- ❑ [Clerk’s documents](#) [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- ❑ [Government documents](#)

Petitions

A [petition](#) was received

Also in the Senate yesterday

- ❑ The President informed the Senate of the death of Mr George Georges, a senator for the State of Queensland from 1968 to 1987. The Senate agreed to a motion of condolence.
- ❑ Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- ❑ Government documents were discussed
- ❑ Adjournment debate

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