



# 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

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

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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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