



Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday 16 September 2003

The Senate met from 12.30pm until 8.35pm

Legislation

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

The following bills were introduced in the Senate

- Fuel Quality Standards Amendment Bill 2003
- National Residue Survey (Customs) Levy Amendment Bill 2002
- National Residue Survey (Customs) Levy Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2003
- National Residue Survey (Excise) Levy Amendment Bill 2002
- National Residue Survey (Excise) Levy Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2003

The following bills were considered

- Superannuation (Surcharge Rate Reduction) Amendment Bill 2003–second reading agreed to and committee of the whole commenced (31 Government [amendments to be determined](#))
- Superannuation (Government Co-contribution for Low Income Earners) Bill 2003–second reading agreed to and committee of the whole commenced
- Superannuation (Government Co-contribution for Low Income Earners) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2003–second reading agreed to and committee of the whole commenced

The following bills were passed without amendments

[These bills will now be assented to]

- ACIS Administration Amendment Bill 2003
- Customs Tariff Amendment (ACIS) Bill 2003

The following messages from the House of Representatives were reported

- Australian National Training Authority Amendment Bill 2003–The message reported that the House of Representatives agreed to the [amendments made by the Senate](#) [The bill will now be assented to]
- Migration Legislation Amendment (Sponsorship Measures) Bill 2003–The message reported that the House of Representatives agreed to the [amendments made by the Senate](#) [The bill will now be assented to]
- Quarantine Amendment (Health) Bill 2003–The message reported that the House of Representatives agreed to the bill without amendment [The bill will now be assented to]

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](#)

Notices of motion given

Notices of motion were given to disallow the following delegated legislation:

- Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Amendment Regulations 2003 (No. 1) as contained in Statutory Rules 2003 No. 115 and made under the *Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Act 1977–15* sitting days after 16 September 2003–by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances
- Civil Aviation Amendment Regulations 2003 (No. 5), as contained in Statutory Rules 2003 No. 201 and made under the *Civil Aviation Act 1988–10* sitting days after 16 September 2003–by Senator Allison

Notice of motion withdrawn

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

- Iraq (Reconstruction and Repeal of Sanctions) Regulations 2003, as contained in Statutory Rules 2003 No. 97 and made under the *Customs Act 1901*, the *Air Navigation Act 1920*, the *Charter of the United Nations Act 1945* and the *Migration Act 1958*

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

Committees

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

For committee reports [click here](#)

Report tabled

- Annual reports referred to legislation committees–Report No. 2 of 2003–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Membership

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

Public meetings

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

- Corporations and Financial Services Joint Committee–17 September 2003 from 4.30pm–Australia's insolvency laws
- Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee–17 September 2003 from noon to 2pm–Telstra (Transition to Full Private Ownership) Bill 2003
- Regulations and Ordinances Standing Committee–17 September 2003 from 3.30pm–Legislative Instruments Bill 2003 and a related bill

Reporting dates

The Senate agreed to the following extensions of time for committees to report:

- Aviation Transport Security Bill 2003 and a related bill—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee—to report by 7 October 2003
- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Invasive Species) Bill 2002—Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee—to report by the last sitting day in March 2004
- Environmental performance at the Ranger, Jabiluka, Beverley and Honeymoon uranium operations—Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee—to report by 14 October 2003
- Government foreign and trade policy strategy—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—to report by 15 October 2003
- Legislative Instruments Bill 2003 and a related bill—Regulations and Ordinances Standing Committee—to report by 16 October 2003
- Role of libraries as providers of public information in the online environment—Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee—to report by 16 October 2003

Notice of motion given

To hold public meetings when the Senate is sitting

- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee—17 September 2003 from 5pm—Application and expenditure of funds by Australian Wool Innovation Ltd

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions about:

- [Anna Lindh](#)—Foreign Minister for Sweden—moved by Senator Cook
- [Disposable DVDs](#)—moved by Senator Brown
- [Lauren Jackson](#)—moved by Senator Lundy
- [World Trade Organization Ministerial Council](#)—moved by Senator Ridgeway

Motions defeated

The Senate did not agree to motions about:

- [Foreign heads of State](#)—Addresses to Australian Parliament—moved by Senator Brown
- [World Trade Organization Ministerial Council](#)—moved by Senator Ridgeway

Notices of motion

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

Orders for the production of documents

Orders with continuing effect

Departmental and agency contracts published on the internet

Statements of compliance for Veterans' Affairs portfolio agencies were tabled
[Letters of advice about certain contracts valued at \$100 000 or more entered into by departments and agencies required to be tabled twice yearly; [Senate order](#) agreed to]

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- [Clerk's documents](#) [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- [Government documents](#)
- Therapeutic Goods Administration—Information and advertising associated with products tested, created or manufactured using human embryos or human embryonic stem cells—Report
- No petitions were received

Also in the Senate yesterday

- Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- Government documents were discussed
- Adjournment debate

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