



Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday 28 October 2003

The Senate met from 9.30am until 8.44pm

Legislation

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

No bills were introduced in the Senate

The following bill was considered

- Telstra (Transition to Full Private Ownership) Bill 2003—second reading debate continued

No bills were passed

*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 intention given to withdraw notices

Notices of intention were given to withdraw notices to disallow the following delegated legislation:

- Civil Aviation Amendment Regulations 2003 (No. 5), as contained in Statutory Rules 2003 No. 201 and made under the *Civil Aviation Act 1988*—notice given by Senator Allison
- Civil Aviation Amendment Regulations 2003 (No. 6), as contained in Statutory Rules 2003 No. 232 and made under the *Civil Aviation Act 1988*—notice given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances

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

Committees

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

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Report tabled

- Fuel Quality Standards Amendment Bill 2003–Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee

Procedure Committee

[The Senate agreed](#) to request the Procedure Committee to draw up rules which should apply to future joint meetings of the Parliament, if any

Reporting date

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

- State Elections (One Vote, One Value) Bill 2001 [2002]–Legal and Constitutional References Committee–to report by 1 March 2004

Notices of motion given

To extend reporting deadlines

- Plastic Bag Levy (Assessment and Collection) Bill 2002 [No. 2] and a related bill–Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee–to report by 26 November 2003
- Ministerial Discretion in Migration Matters Select Committee–to report by the last day in February 2004

To refer matters to a committee

- [Disappearance of](#) many birds from the parliamentary grounds and related matters–House Committee–to report by 2 December 2003

Motion agreed to

The Senate agreed to [a motion](#) about the incarceration of Mamdouh Habib at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba–moved by Senator Nettle

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 Leader of the Government in the Senate to table two expert reports relating to the use of human embryos for research (no later than immediately after motions to take note of answers on 29 October 2003)–moved by Senator Harradine

The Senate [ordered](#) the Minister representing the Minister for Education, Science and Training to table the regional impact statement prepared by the Department of Education, Science and Training, in support, explanation and justification of the higher education policy package, referred to at the hearing of the Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee on 17 October 2003 (no later than 29 October 2003)—moved by Senator Carr

Notice of motion given

Senators Murray and Faulkner gave [a notice of motion](#) to require all ministers in the Senate to table statements containing certain details of each advertising or public information project undertaken by portfolio agencies where the cost of the project is estimated or contracted to be \$100,000 or more (statements to be tabled within 5 sitting days of the Senate after project approval).

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- [Clerk's documents](#) [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- [Government documents](#)
- 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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