Senate
Daily Summary
Tuesday 30 November 2004

The Senate met from 12.30pm until 7.30pm

**Legislation**
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The following bill was introduced in the Senate
- Copyright Legislation Amendment Bill 2004

The following bill was restored to the Notice Paper [to enable consideration of the bill to be resumed at the stage reached in the previous Parliament]
- Criminal Code Amendment (Workplace Death and Serious Injury) Bill 2004 [Private senator’s bill]

The following bills were considered
- National Security Information (Criminal Proceedings) Bill 2004–second reading agreed to and committee of the whole commenced–2 Government and 2 Opposition amendments agreed to, 1 clause omitted and 4 Greens amendments to be determined
- National Security Information (Criminal Proceedings) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2004–second reading agreed to and committee of the whole commenced

The following bills were passed
*Without amendments* [The House of Representatives will now consider these bills]
- Family Law Amendment (Annuities) Bill 2004
- Fisheries (Validation of Plans of Management) Bill 2004
- Surveillance Devices Bill 2004

The following bills were exempted from the cut-off order [to enable consideration this period of sittings]
- Family and Community Services and Veterans’ Affairs Legislation Amendment (2004 Election Commitments) Bill 2004
- Tax Laws Amendment (Retirement Villages) Bill 2004
- Tax Laws Amendment (Small Business Measures) Bill 2004
- Tax Laws Amendment (Superannuation Reporting) Bill 2004
Notice of motion given to introduce a bill
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment Bill 2004–Notice of motion given by the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs (Senator Vanstone)

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

Regulation disallowed
The Senate agreed to disallow the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Amendment Regulation 2004 (No. 3), as contained in Statutory Rules 2004 No. 121 and made under the Customs Act 1901

See the Documents section for details of instruments [Clerk's documents] tabled

Committees
For scheduled public committee hearings click here
For committee reports click here

No reports were tabled

Membership
The Senate agreed to the following changes to committee membership:
- Finance and Public Administration References Committee–Senator Murray to replace Senator Ridgeway for the committee’s inquiry into government advertising
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–Senator Hogg to replace Senator Mackay for matters relating to the Defence portfolio

Message from the House of Representatives reconsidered
Senator Chapman made a statement relating to the Senate’s consideration on the previous day of sitting of a message from the House of Representatives concerning the membership of the Corporations and Financial Services Joint Committee. His amendment of 29 November was put again and defeated, and the Senate agreed to the resolution of the House relating to the appointment of the committee.

Inquiry resumed
- Electoral funding and disclosure and related matters–Electoral Matters Joint Committee–to report as soon as practicable [The Senate agreed to re-adopt the inquiry referred to the Committee in the 39th and 40th Parliaments]

Notice of motion given
To extend a reporting deadline
- Scrafton Evidence Select Committee–to report by 9 December 2004
Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions about:
- Drug use in Australian prisons–moved by Senator Allison
- Eureka stockade commemoration–moved by Senator Marshall
- Maternity services–moved by Senators Allison and Ridgeway

Motion defeated

A motion moved by Senator Nettle about Iraq was defeated

Notice of motion

For other notices of motion not mentioned elsewhere click here [see items 12 and 15]

Documents

The following documents were tabled:
- Clerk’s documents [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- Department of Parliamentary Services–Report for 2003-04
- Government documents
- Parliamentary zone–proposal and documentation for the replacement and extension of cooling towers at the rear of Old Parliament House. A notice of motion was given to approve the proposal.
- 4 petitions were received

Also in the Senate yesterday

- Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- Senator Harradine made a statement relating to the death of Janine Haines, former senator for South Australia and Leader of the Australian Democrats
- Adjournment debate

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