



Senate Daily Summary

Monday, 4 September 2006

The Senate met from 12.30pm until 10.28pm

Legislation

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

Bills considered

The following bill was introduced:

- Privacy Legislation Amendment Bill 2006 [Passed by the House of Representatives on 17 August 2006]

The following bill was debated:

- Migration Amendment (Employer Sanctions) Bill 2006—second reading debate continued [[first speaker](#)]

The following bills were passed:

- Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2005 [2006]—[1 item](#) negated [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill]
- Aviation Transport Security Amendment Bill 2006 [This bill will now be assented to]
- OHS and SRC Legislation Amendment Bill 2006 [This bill will now be assented to]

Message from the House of Representatives

- Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment Bill 2006 [Agreeing to the amendments made by the Senate. This bill will now be assented to]

Bills assented to

[Assent](#) to two laws was reported in the Senate

See **Committees** for details of reports relating to legislation

Delegated legislation

See [Disallowance Alert](#) for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

Notice of intention to withdraw a notice

Senator Murray gave a notice of intention to withdraw a notice to disallow Schedule 1 of the Parliamentary Entitlements Amendment Regulations 2006 (No. 1), as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2006 No. 211 and made under the *Parliamentary Entitlements Act 1990*.

Senators Murray and Evans added their names to a notice of motion given by Senator Bob Brown to disallow Schedules 1 and 3 of the same regulations. That motion is listed for consideration on 5 September 2006.

Notice of motion withdrawn

The Chairman of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances withdrew a notice of motion to disallow Schedule 1 to the Parliamentary Entitlements Amendment Regulations 2006 (No. 1), as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2006 No. 211 and made under the *Parliamentary Entitlements Act 1990*.

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

Committees

For scheduled [public committee hearings](#)

For [committee reports](#)

New committee system

Changes to the committee system agreed to on [14 August 2006](#) will take effect from 11 September 2006. It is expected that members will be appointed to the new committees this week.

Reports tabled

Reports on legislation

- Independent Contractors Bill 2006 and the Workplace Relations Legislation Amendment (Independent Contractors) Bill 2006—Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Legislation Committee
- Tax Laws Amendment (2006 Measures No. 4) Bill 2006—Interim report—Economics Legislation Committee [Final reporting date extended to 4 October 2006]

Other reports

- Public Accounts and Audit Joint Committee—407th report – Review of Auditor-General's reports tabled between 18 January and 18 April 2005

Government response

A [government response](#) to the report of the Joint Committee on Electoral Matters on the conduct of the 2004 federal election was tabled.

Proposed references

The Senate *did not agree* to refer the following matters to committees:

- [Administration of quarantine](#)—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee—moved by Senator O’Brien
- [Temporary business long stay visas](#)—Legal and Constitutional References Committee—moved by Senator Ludwig

Public meeting

The Senate authorised the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee to hold a [public meeting](#) while the Senate was sitting on 4 September 2006.

Reporting date extended

The Senate extended the reporting date for the final report of the Economics Legislation Committee on the Tax Laws Amendment (2006 Measures No. 4) Bill 2006 to 4 October 2006.

Other debates and motions

The Senate *did not agree* to a motion moved by Senator Bob Brown about [violence against journalists in Indonesia](#).

Notices of motion

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

Orders for the production of documents

Orders with continuing effect

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files published on the internet

Statements of compliance for various agencies were tabled [*see* Journals entries [20](#) and [28](#)] [Letters of advice about certain files created by departments and agencies are [required to be tabled](#) twice a year]

Departmental and agency contracts published on the internet

Statements of compliance for various agencies were tabled [*see* Journals entries [21](#) and [27](#)] [Letters of advice about certain contracts valued at \$100 000 or more entered into by departments and agencies are [required to be tabled](#) twice a year]

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ Auditor-General–[Audit report](#) no. 1 of 2006-07
- ❑ Australian parliamentary delegation–Malaysia and Japan, 10 to 22 April 2006–Report
- ❑ [Clerk's documents](#) [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- ❑ [Government document](#)–Office of the Gene Technology Regulator–Quarterly report
- ❑ *Odgers' Australian Senate Practice* 11th edition–Supplement–Updates to 31 August 2006
- ❑ Recent developments in co-operation between the Department of the Senate and the Indonesian Parliament's regional chamber, the Dewan Perwakilan Daerah (DPD)–Report
- ❑ [3 petitions](#) were received

Also in the Senate yesterday

- ❑ Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time [[first question](#)]
- ❑ The President informed the Senate of the death on 28 August 2006 of the Honourable Donald Leslie Chipp, AO, a senator for the State of Victoria from 1978 to 1986. The Senate agreed to a [condolence motion](#) moved by the Leader of the Government in the Senate.
- ❑ Adjournment debate [[first speaker](#)]

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