



# Senate Daily Summary

Thursday 22 June 2006

The Senate met from 9.30am until 1.32am

*The Senate has now completed the Winter sittings and will commence the Spring sittings on [8 August 2006](#)*

## Legislation

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

### The following bills were introduced in the Senate

- Aviation Transport Security Amendment Bill 2006
- Law Enforcement (AFP Professional Standards and Related Measures) Bill 2006
- Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Bill 2006
- Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2006
- Migration Legislation Amendment (Temporary Protection Visas Repeal) Bill 2006 [Private senator's bill]
- Privacy (Extension to Political Acts and Practices) Amendment Bill 2006

### The following bills were passed

*Without amendments or requests*

[These bills will now be assented to]

- Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2006-2007
- Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2006-2007
- Appropriation Bill (No. 5) 2005-2006
- Appropriation Bill (No. 6) 2005-2006
- Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2006-2007
- Australian Research Council Amendment Bill 2006
- Do Not Call Register (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2006
- Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation (2006 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2006
- Fuel Tax Bill 2006
- Fuel Tax (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2006
- Health Legislation Amendment (Private Health Insurance) Bill 2006
- Law Enforcement (AFP Professional Standards and Related Measures) Bill 2006
- Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Bill 2006
- Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2006

- ❑ New Business Tax System (Untainting Tax) Bill 2006
- ❑ Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Assessment Amendment Bill 2006
- ❑ Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Instalment Transfer Interest Charge Imposition) Bill 2006
- ❑ Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Bill 2006
- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (2006 Measures No. 3) Bill 2006

*With an amendment*

- ❑ Do Not Call Register Bill 2006–1 Government [amendment agreed to](#) [The House of Representatives will now consider the amendment made by the Senate]

**The following bills were exempted from the cut-off order** [to enable consideration this period of sittings]

- ❑ Law Enforcement (AFP Professional Standards and Related Measures) Bill 2006
- ❑ Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Bill 2006
- ❑ Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2006

**Bills assented to**

[Assent](#) to a number of laws was reported in the Senate

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

<b>Delegated legislation</b>
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<a href="#">For a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)</a>
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**Notices of motion given**

Notice of motion were given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances to disallow [various delegated legislation](#) [The delegated legislation will be deemed to be disallowed if the notices are not agreed to or withdrawn within 15 sitting days after 22 June–ie by 14 September 2006]

**Notice of intention given to withdraw notices**

A notice of intention was given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances to withdraw notices to disallow [various delegated legislation](#)

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

<b>Committees</b>
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<a href="#">For scheduled public committee hearings</a>
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<a href="#">For committee reports</a>
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**Estimates**

*Additional information tabled*

- ❑ Economics Legislation Committee Legislation Committee–Additional estimates 2005-06
- ❑ Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Legislation Committee–Budget estimates 2005-06, Budget estimates 2005-06 (Supplementary), and additional estimates 2005-06

- ❑ Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee Legislation Committee—Budget estimates 2005-06, Budget estimates 2005-06 (Supplementary), and additional estimates 2005-06
- ❑ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee Legislation Committee— Budget estimates 2005-06 (Supplementary) and additional estimates 2005-06

### Reports tabled

- ❑ Australia's relationship with the Republic of Korea; and developments on the Korean peninsula—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee
- ❑ Australia's response to the Indian Ocean tsunami—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee
- ❑ Migration Amendment (Designated Unauthorised Arrivals) Bill 2006—Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee
- ❑ National Animal Welfare Bill 2005—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
- ❑ Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Assessment Amendment Bill 2006 and Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Instalment Transfer Interest Charge Imposition) Bill 2006—Economics Legislation Committee
- ❑ Publications Committee—[13th Report](#) [report adopted]
- ❑ Selection of Bills Committee—[Report No. 6](#) of 2006 [and see Journals item [53](#)] [report adopted] [contains recommendations to refer bills to legislation committees]
- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (2006 Measures No. 3) Bill 2006—Economics Legislation Committee

### Document tabled

- ❑ President's report on government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 22 June 2006

### Government responses to reports tabled

- ❑ President's report on government responses to the schedule of government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports tabled by the President on 8 December 2005
- ❑ The cancer journey: Informing choice—The delivery of services and treatment options for persons with cancer—Community Affairs References Committee
- ❑ The operation of the wine-making industry—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

### New inquiry

- ❑ [Senate committee system](#)—structure—Procedure Committee—to report by 10 August 2006 [and see Journals item [22](#)]

See **Reports tabled** (*Selection of Bills Committee Report*) for details of bills referred to committees

### Membership

The Senate agreed to various changes to committee membership [see Journals items [45](#) and [48](#)]

### **Motion defeated**

The Senate *did not agree* to a motion moved by Senator Siewert to refer the matter of the extent and effectiveness of certain regulations made under the *Social Security Act 1991* with reference to the committee's recommendations contained in its report on the Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Amendment (Welfare to Work and Other Measures) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2005 and the Family and Community Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare to Work) Bill 2005 to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee

### **Notice of motion given**

*To refer a matter to a committee*

- [Price of petrol in Australia](#)—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee—to report by 9 October 2006

## **Motions agreed to**

The Senate agreed to motions about:

- [Charles Haughey](#)—death of former Taoiseach of Ireland—moved by Senator Stephens
- [Harvard Stem Cell Research Institute](#)—moved by Senator Stott Despoja

## **Ministerial statement**

The Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs tabled [a statement](#) made by the Prime Minister about the Australian Defence Force commitment to southern Iraq

## **Notices of motion**

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

## **Documents**

The following documents were tabled:

- Auditor-General—Audit report no. 48 of 2005-06—Financial statement audit—Interim phase of the audit of financial statements of general government sector entities for the year ending 30 June 2006
- [Clerk's documents](#) [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- Expenditure on travel by former Governors-General paid by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet 1 July to 31 December 2005, and January 2004 to December 2005
- Former parliamentarians' travel paid by the Department of Finance and Administration 1 July to 31 December 2005
- Parliamentarians' overseas study travel reports 1 July to 31 December 2005
- Parliamentarians' travel paid by the Department of Finance and Administration 1 July to 31 December 2005
- [4 petitions](#) were received

No government documents were tabled

<b>Also in the Senate yesterday</b>
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- ❑ Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time [[first question](#)]
- ❑ Adjournment debate

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