This week at a glance
20–22 March 2007

On the first day of each sitting week the Senate Daily Summary (SDS) outlines the business scheduled for consideration in the Senate. On subsequent days, SDS provides a convenient summary of the previous day’s proceedings in the Senate, with links to official Senate records.

Another document useful in tracking the business of the Senate is the Dynamic Red, which records proceedings in the Senate as they happen.

Legislation


Bills to be considered

The government has scheduled bills for debate this week, as follows

20 March 2007
- Aged Care Amendment (Security and Protection) Bill 2007
- Airspace Bill 2006 and a related bill
- Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Amendment Bill 2007
- Private Health Insurance Bill 2006 and 6 related bills

21 March 2007
- Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Additional Screening Measures) Bill 2007
- Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Amendment (Welfare to Work and Vocational Rehabilitation Services) Bill 2006
- Energy Efficiency Opportunities Amendment Bill 2006
- Native Title Amendment Bill 2006

22 March 2007
- AusCheck Bill 2006
- Australian Energy Market Amendment (Gas Legislation) Bill 2006
- Bankruptcy Legislation Amendment (Debt Agreements) Bill 2007 and a related bill
- Corporations Amendment (Takeovers) Bill 2007
- Farm Household Support Amendment Bill 2007
- Health Insurance Amendment (Provider Number Review) Bill 2007
- Human Services (Enhanced Service Delivery) Bill 2007
- Offshore Petroleum Amendment (Greater Sunrise) Bill 2007 and a related bill
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- Schools Assistance (Learning Together—Achievement Through Choice and Opportunity) Amendment Bill 2007
- Tourism Australia Amendment Bill 2007


**Notices of motion**

Two motions are listed for 20 March to expedite the flow of business during the last fortnight of the Autumn sittings. The first is to extend the hours of meeting on 20 March, and the second is to exempt 16 bills from the cut-off to enable their consideration in this period of sittings.

**Delegated legislation**

See [Disallowance Alert](http://www.dpmc.gov.au/parliamentary/index.cfm) for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

**Motion to be considered**

A motion to disallow a determination amending schedule 4 of determination HIB 20/2006 (made under the *National Health Act 1953*) is listed for consideration on 22 March 2007.

**Committees**

For scheduled public committee hearings [click here](http://www.dpmc.gov.au/parliamentary/index.cfm)

**Reports presented out of sitting to be tabled on 20 March 2007**

- Aged Care Amendment (Security and Protection) Bill 2007–Report and additional comments by the Australian Democrats–Community Affairs Committee
- AusCheck Bill 2006–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
- Human Services (Enhanced Service Delivery) Bill 2007–Finance and Public Administration Committee

**Report on legislation due to be tabled this week**

**20 March 2007**

- Qantas Sale (Keep Jetstar Australian) Amendment Bill 2007–Economics Committee

**Other reports due this week**

**21 March 2007**

- All standing committees–2006-07 additional estimates

**22 March 2007**

- All standing committees–Reports on annual reports tabled by 31 October 2006
Proposed references

The following matters are listed for consideration on 21 March 2007

- Exclusive Brethren–Community Affairs Committee
- Federal Government’s 10 point National Plan for Water security–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee
- Housing needs of low and middle income households–Community Affairs Committee

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Related resources

The Order of Business (or ‘Senate Red’) and the Dynamic Red (which updates the Order of Business throughout the sitting day) are also available on the Internet at www.aph.gov.au/senate

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