

Senate Daily Summary

Friday, 26 November 2010

The Senate met from 9.00 am until 3.44 pm

The Senate has now completed its sittings for 2010 and will commence the 2011 Autumn sittings on <u>8 February 2011</u>

Legislation

For bills and related documents

Bills considered

The following bills were introduced

- ☐ Assisting Victims of Overseas Terrorism Bill 2010 [private senator's bill]
- □ National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Bill 2010 and a related bill [Senate bills]

The following bills were introduced, debated and passed [The bills were also exempted from the cut-off order to enable consideration in this period of sittings]

- □ Corporations Amendment (Sons of Gwalia) Bill 2010
- □ Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill 2010

[These bills will now be assented to]

The following bills were passed

- □ Airports Amendment Bill 2010–33 Government amendments were agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider the <u>amendments</u> made by the Senate]
- □ Family Law Amendment (Validation of Certain Parenting Orders and Other Measures) Bill 2010 [This bill will now be assented to]
- ☐ Health Insurance Amendment (Pathology Requests) Bill 2010 [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Radiocommunications Amendment Bill 2010 [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Tax Laws Amendment (Confidentiality of Taxpayer Information) Bill 2010–9 Opposition amendments were agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]
- □ Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer Safeguards) Bill 2010–2 Australian Greens and 2 Senator Xenophon (1 as amended by the Government) amendments agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]

- ☐ Territories Law Reform Bill 2010 [This bill will now be assented to]
- ☐ Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2010 Measures No. 1) Bill 2010 [This bill will now be assented to]

Committees

For scheduled <u>public committee hearings</u>
For committee reports

New inquiries

Selection of Bills Committee report

The Senate adopted <u>report no. 15</u> of the Selection of Bills Committee, and made the following references:

- □ Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Genetically Modified Material) Bill 2010–Community Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 16 June 2011
- □ Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 16 June 2011

Documents

Delegated legislation

See <u>Disallowance Alert</u> for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

Motion to disallow defeated

The Senate did not agree to a motion moved by Senator Ludlam to disallow the Extradition (United Arab Emirates) Regulations 2010 [homepage] [first speaker].

Notices of motion to disallow given

The Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Stephens) gave <u>notices of motion</u> to disallow various legislative instruments.

Other business

Motion agreed to

The Senate agreed to a <u>motion</u> to approve works within the Parliamentary Zone – an external expansion of the Abacus childcare centre at the Treasury Building.

Personal explanation

Senator Boswell made a <u>personal explanation</u> relating to articles in the *Courier Mail* and the *Daily Telegraph* of 25 November 2010 concerning election donations.

End of 2010 sittings

Valedictory speeches were made relating to the end of the 2010 sittings [first speaker].

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Statistics

Statistics on the work of the Senate this week will be available in the <u>Statistical Summary</u>, which forms part of <u>StatsNet</u>—the Department of the Senate's online statistical collection.

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