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1 MEETING OF SENATE
The Senate met at 12.30 pm. The Deputy President (Senator Hogg) took the chair and read prayers.

2 VACANCY IN THE REPRESENTATION OF TASMANIA—CHOICE OF CAROL LOUISE BROWN
The Deputy President (Senator Hogg) informed the Senate that the President had received, through the Governor-General, from the Governor of Tasmania, the certificate of the choice by the Parliament of Tasmania of Carol Louise Brown to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator Mackay.

The Deputy President tabled the certificate as follows:

Government House
Tasmania

His Excellency
The Honourable William Cox AC, RFD, ED
26 August 2005

His Excellency Major-General Michael Jeffery AC CVO MC (Ret’d)
Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia
Government House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that, pursuant to Sections 15 and 21 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, a Joint Sitting of the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly was held on August 25th 2005 to fill the vacancy in the representation of the State of Tasmania in the Senate that arose from the resignation of Senator Susan Mary Mackay.

Based on the advice I have received from the Speaker of the House of Assembly who was the Presiding Officer at the Joint Sitting, I certify that Ms Carol Louise Brown was chosen to fill the said vacancy.

Yours sincerely,
W J E Cox
Governor.

The Deputy President announced that he had received from His Excellency the Governor-General a Commission authorising him to administer the oath or affirmation of allegiance to senators in the absence of the President.

The Deputy President tabled the commission as follows:

AUTHORISATION TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF ALLEGIANCE TO SENATORS

I, PHILIP MICHAEL JEFFERY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting under section 42 of the Constitution, authorise JOHN JOSEPH HOGG, acting President of the Senate, during any absence of the President of the Senate, to administer the oath or affirmation of allegiance to those Senators who have not already made and subscribed that oath or affirmation since being chosen, elected or appointed, or since last being chosen, elected or appointed, as Senators.
Dated 29th August 2005

P M Jeffery
Governor-General

By His Excellency’s Command
John Howard
Prime Minister.

Senator sworn: Senator Carol Brown, pursuant to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, then made and subscribed the affirmation of allegiance at the table.

3 HUMAN SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2005

Order of the day read for the further consideration of the bill in committee of the whole.

In the committee

Consideration resumed of the bill— and of the amendments moved by the Leader of the Australian Democrats (Senator Allison):

Schedule 1, page 9 (after line 24), after item 30, insert:

30A Subsection 29(2)

After “Minister”, insert “and in accordance with the merit selection process required by subsections (5) to (9)”.

Schedule 1, page 9 (after line 28), after item 31, insert:

31A At the end of section 29

Add:

(5) The Minister must by writing determine a code of practice for selecting and appointing the Chief Executive Officer and any acting Chief Executive Officer which sets out general principles on which selection and appointment is to be made, including but not limited to:
   (a) merit;
   (b) independent scrutiny of appointments;
   (c) probity;
   (d) openness and transparency.

(6) After determining a code of practice under subsection (5), the Minister must publish the code in the Gazette.

(7) Not later than every fifth anniversary after a code of practice has been determined, the Minister must review the code.

(8) In reviewing a code of practice, the Minister must invite the public to comment on the code.

(9) A code of practice determined under subsection (5) is a legislative instrument.

Debate resumed.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put and negatived.

Bill agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Brandis) resumed the chair and the Temporary Chair of Committees reported accordingly.

On the motion of the Minister for Family and Community Services (Senator Patterson) the report from the committee was adopted and the bill read a third time.

4 **BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT BILL 2005**
**BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT (CONSEQUENTIAL AND TRANSITIONAL) BILL 2005**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Special Minister of State (Senator Abetz)—That these bills be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

*At 2 pm*: Debate was interrupted while Senator Hutchins was speaking.

5 **QUESTIONS**

Questions without notice were answered.

6 **FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—WELFARE—INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS—PROPOSED CHANGES—ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS**

Senator Wong moved—That the Senate take note of the answers given by the Special Minister of State (Senator Abetz) to questions without notice asked today relating to proposed changes to welfare and to industrial relations.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

7 **COMMUNICATIONS—TELSTRA—ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS**

Senator Bartlett moved—That the Senate take note of the answers given by the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts (Senator Coonan) to questions without notice asked by Senators Bartlett and Bob Brown today relating to Telstra.

Question put and passed.

8 **PRIVILEGES—STANDING COMMITTEE—STATEMENT BY DEPUTY PRESIDENT—PROPOSED REFERENCE**

The Deputy President (Senator Hogg) made a statement relating to a matter of privilege raised by the Finance and Public Administration References Committee concerning the apparent conflict between an answer to a question given by a witness and the facts as subsequently disclosed to the committee.

The Deputy President informed the Senate that, pursuant to the procedures provided by standing order 81 and resolutions of the Senate of 25 February 1988, the President had determined that a motion relating to the matter may have precedence of all other business on the day for which the notice is given.

*Document:* The Deputy President tabled the following document:

Privileges—Standing Committee—Proposed reference—Letter from the Chair of the Finance and Public Administration References Committee (Senator Forshaw) to the President, dated 17 August 2005 and attachments.
Notice of motion: Senator Forshaw gave a notice of motion as follows: To move on the next day of sitting—That the following matter be referred to the Committee of Privileges:

Having regard to the letter dated 17 August 2005 to the President from the Finance and Public Administration References Committee, whether any false or misleading evidence was given to the committee, and whether any contempt was committed in that regard.

9 PETITIONS

The following 7 petitions, lodged with the Clerk by the senators indicated, were received:

Senator George Campbell, from 66 petitioners, requesting that the Senate take action to review procedures relating to political asylum seekers and remove all practices which are manifestly inhumane or in contravention of national obligations.

Senator Kirk, from 585 petitioners, requesting that the Senate ensure that David Hicks receives a fair trial and that his rights are met under the 1949 Geneva Convention.

Senator Nettle, from 1,078 petitioners, requesting that the Senate reject the Higher Education Support Amendment (Abolition of Compulsory Up-front Student Union Fees) Bill 2005 in order to ensure that the full range of services currently provided by student associations and unions are maintained.

Senator Nettle, from 75 petitioners, requesting that the Senate take action to ensure that the Government negotiates a fair and equitable maritime boundary with Timor Leste according to current international law and the provisions of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea.

Senator Nettle, from 97 petitioners, requesting that the Senate take action to return David Hicks and Mamdouh Habib to Australia for a fair and open trial.

Senator Nettle, from 96 petitioners, requesting that the Senate reject the proposed changes to higher education and invest in the public higher education sector.

Senator Nettle, from 85 petitioners, requesting that the Senate reject the proposed amendments to the Marriage Act and support the Same Sex Relationships (Ensuring Equality) Bill 2004.

10 NOTICES

Senator Stott Despoja: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) the significance of the Panchen Lama as the second most important spiritual leader in Tibetan Buddhism,

(ii) that in 1995, following his appointment as Panchen Lama by the Dalai Lama, the then 6-years old Gedhun Choekyi Nyima and his family were taken prisoner by Chinese authorities making him the world’s youngest political prisoner, and

(iii) that for 10 years their safety and well-being have remained unknown; and
(b) urges the Chinese Government to:
   (i) reveal the whereabouts of Gedhun Choekyi Nyima and his family, and
   (ii) allow for independent verification of his and his family’s safety and well-being. (general business notice of motion no. 230)

The Chair of the Economics Legislation Committee (Senator Brandis): To move on the next day of sitting—That the time for the presentation of the report of the Economics Legislation Committee on annual reports tabled by 30 April 2005 be extended to 13 October 2005. (general business notice of motion no. 231)

Senators Stott Despoja, Kirk and Bob Brown: To move on 7 September 2005—That the Senate—
   (a) notes:
      (i) the right of all Australians, regardless of their alleged crimes, to a fair and transparent trial,
      (ii) the number of serious doubts raised by legal and military experts, including retired High Court of Australia Justices Mary Gaudron and Sir Ninian Stephen, the Presidents of the Law Council of Australia and the 14 Law Societies and Bar Associations of the states and territories of Australia, independent Law Council of Australia observer Mr Lex Lasry QC, head of the Australian Military Bar Captain Paul Willee QC, Mr Geoffrey Robertson QC, the American Bar Association, three United States of America (US) military commission prosecutors and sitting High Court of Australia Justice Michael Kirby, who regard US military commissions as unjust,
      (iii) that Spain, France and the United Kingdom have all refused to allow their citizens to be tried before US military commissions, and
      (iv) the comments by the United Kingdom’s Attorney General, the Right Honourable Lord Goldsmith, that ‘the United Kingdom have been unable to accept the US military tribunals … offer sufficient guarantees of a fair trial in accordance with international standards’; and
   (b) calls on the Government to advocate for Mr David Hicks’ trial to be conducted in a properly constituted court with rules of procedure and evidence that meet Australian and international standards of fairness. (general business notice of motion no. 232)

The Leader of the Australian Democrats (Senator Allison): To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—
   (a) notes that:
      (i) every year more than 2,500 Australians die from suicide, with estimates suggesting that there are at least another 30 attempts for each person who dies,
      (ii) suicide is a complex event in which desperate people see death as a way to escape their overwhelming pain and anguish, and
      (iii) ignorance and insensitivity continue to contribute to societal stigma concerning mental illness and suicide;
   (b) condemns the Minister for Health and Ageing (Mr Abbott) for failing to understand the level of pain being experienced by people who contemplate suicide; and
(c) urges the Prime Minister (Mr Howard) to:
   (i) categorically condemn the remarks made by the Minister for Health and Ageing in relation to Mr John Brogden, and
   (ii) require ministers to demonstrate appropriate knowledge, understanding and compassion in relation to their portfolios. (general business notice of motion no. 233)

The Minister for Justice and Customs (Senator Ellison): To move on the next day of sitting—that the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111 not apply to the following bills, allowing them to be considered during this period of sittings:
   Defence Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2005
   Protection of the Sea (Shipping Levy) Amendment Bill 2005

Documents: Senator Ellison tabled the following documents:

11 LEAVE OF ABSENCE
   Senator George Campbell, by leave, moved—that leave of absence be granted to Senator Ray for the period 5 September 2005 to the end of the 2005 parliamentary sittings, on account of parliamentary business overseas.
   Question put and passed.

12 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE REFERENCES COMMITTEE—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTING
   Senator George Campbell, by leave and at the request of the Chair of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee (Senator Hutchins), moved—that the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee be authorised to hold public meetings during the sittings of the Senate, on Tuesday, 6 September 2005, and Wednesday, 7 September 2005, from 4 pm, to take evidence for the committee’s inquiry into the Chen Yonglin and Vivian Solon cases.
   Question put and passed.

13 ECONOMICS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—EXTENSION OF TIME TO REPORT
   Senator Ferris, by leave and at the request of the Chair of the Economics Legislation Committee (Senator Brandis), moved—that the time for the presentation of the report of the Economics Legislation Committee on the provisions of the Trade Practices Amendment (National Access Regime) Bill 2005 be extended to 8 September 2005.
   Question put and passed.

14 POSTPONEMENTS
   The following items of business were postponed:
General business notice of motion no. 221 standing in the name of Senator Stott Despoja for today, relating to genetic testing and privacy, postponed till 6 September 2005.

General business notice of motion no. 228 standing in the name of Senator Milne for today, relating to the proposed pulp mill in Tasmania, postponed till 14 September 2005.

15 ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS REFERENCES COMMITTEE—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTING

The Chair of the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee (Senator Bartlett), pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 227—That the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee be authorised to hold a public meeting during the sitting of the Senate on Tuesday, 6 September 2005, from 6 pm, to take evidence for the committee’s inquiry into the economic impact of salinity in the Australian environment.

Question put and passed.

16 FOREIGN AFFAIRS—WEST PAPUA

Senator Bob Brown, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 229—That the Senate

(a) notes the release of the report prepared by the University of Sydney’s Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, *Genocide in West Papua? The role of the Indonesian Security Services Apparatus*; and

(b) calls on the Australian Government to investigate the claims in the report and report back to the Senate.

*Statements by leave*: Senators George Campbell and Bob Brown, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 8

Senators—

Allison

Brown, Bob

Bartlett

Murray

Siewert (Teller)

Nettle

Stott Despoja

NOES, 49

Senators—

Abetz

Fielding

Adams

Fierravanti-Wells

Barnett

Field

Boswell

Forshaw

Brown, Carol

Hogg

Campbell, George

Humphries

Carr

Harley

Chapman

Hutchins

Colbeck

Johnston

Conroy

Joyce

Ellison

Kemp

Ferguson

Kirk

Ferris (Teller)

Lightfoot

Ayres (Teller)

Scullion

Stephens

Sterle

Troeth

Trood

Watson

Webber

Wong

Wortley

Question negatived.
17 **URGENCY MOTION—TAXATION**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Hutchins) informed the Senate that the President had received a letter from Senator Murray advising that today he intended to move—That, in the opinion of the Senate, the following is a matter of urgency:

The need for the Government to respond as soon as possible to the high public interest in structural reform of the income tax system with a comprehensive white paper covering detailed proposals or alternatives.

The proposal was supported by 4 senators.

Senator Murray moved the motion.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

**AYES, 31**

- Allison
- Bartlett
- Bishop
- Brown, Bob
- Brown, Carol
- Campbell, George
- Conroy
- Faulkner
- Forshaw
- Hogg
- Hurley
- Hutchins
- Kirk
- Ludwig
- Marshall
- McEwen
- Milne
- Moore
- Murray
- Nettle
- O’Brien
- Polley
- Sherry
- Siewert
- Stephens
- Sterle
- Stott Despoja
- Webber (Teller)
- Wortley

**NOES, 34**

- Abetz
- Adams
- Barnett
- Boswell
- Brandis
- Chapman
- Colbeck
- Eggleston (Teller)
- Ellison
- Ferguson
- Ferris
- Ferravanti-Wells
- Fifield
- Heffeman
- Humphries
- Johnston
- Joyce
- Kemp
- Lightfoot
- Macdonald, Ian
- Macdonald, Sandy
- Mason
- McGauran
- Minchin
- Nash
- Parry
- Payne
- Ronaldson
- Santoro
- Scullion
- Troeth
- Trood
- Vanstone
- Watson

Question negatived.

18 **AUDITOR-GENERAL—AUDIT REPORTS NOS 7 AND 8 OF 2005-06—DOCUMENTS**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Marshall) tabled the following documents received on the dates indicated:

**Auditor-General—Audit reports for 2005-06—**

No. 7—Performance audit—Regulation by the Office of the Gene Technology Regulator: Department of Health and Ageing. [Received 25 August 2005]

No. 8—Performance audit—Management of the Personnel Management Key Solution (PMKeyS) Implementation Project: Department of Defence. [Received 26 August 2005]

Senator Bishop, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of report no. 8.

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Hutchins in continuation.
19 **SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY—NUCLEAR WEAPONS—DOCUMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Marshall) tabled the following document:

Science and Technology—Nuclear weapons—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Ambassador of Japan (His Excellency Hideaki Ueda) responding to the resolution of the Senate of 15 August 2005, dated 19 August 2005.

20 **HEALTH—TOBACCO POLICY—DOCUMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Marshall) tabled the following document:

Health—Tobacco policy—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Premier of Queensland (Mr Beattie) responding to the resolution of the Senate of 15 June 2005, dated 22 August 2005.

21 **STANDING ORDER 37(3)—ACCESS TO COMMITTEE DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Marshall) tabled the following report:

Standing order 37(3)—Access to committee documents—Report to the Senate.

22 **NORTHERN TERRITORY—NUCLEAR WASTE SITE—DOCUMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Marshall) tabled the following document:

Northern Territory—Nuclear waste site—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory (Ms Aagaard) forwarding the text of a resolution, dated 30 August 2005.

Senator Milne, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the document.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

23 **NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—INDIAN OCEAN TERRITORIES**

The Minister for the Arts and Sport (Senator Kemp) tabled the following document:


24 **ECONOMICS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION—TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2005 MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2005**

Senator Ferris, at the request of the Chair of the Economics Legislation Committee (Senator Brandis), tabled the following document:


25 **ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE—REPORT—REVIEW OF THE LISTING OF FOUR TERRORIST ORGANISATIONS**

Senator Ferris, on behalf of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on ASIO, ASIS and DSD, tabled the following report:


Senator Ferris, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the report.

Question put and passed.
The Chair of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services (Senator Chapman) tabled the following report and documents:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Chapman.
Senator Chapman, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the report.
Question put and passed.

NOTICE

Senator Conroy gave a notice of motion as follows: To move on the next day of sitting—That, upon their introduction, any bill providing for the further sale of Telstra, any related bill introduced into the Senate and the provisions of any related bill introduced into the House of Representatives be referred to the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 10 October 2005.

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were tabled by the Clerk:

[Legislative instruments are identified by a Federal Register of Legislative Instruments (FRLI) number]

Aged Care Act—Classification Amendment Principles 2005 (No. 2) [F2005L02358]*.
Air Services Act—Air Services Regulations—Instruments Nos—
  AERU-05-30—Class C Airspace [F2005L02323]*.
  AERU-05-31—Class C Control Zones [F2005L02332]*.
  AERU-05-32—Class D Airspace [F2005L02331]*.
  AERU-05-33—Class D Control Zones [F2005L02333]*.
  AERU-05-34—Class E Airspace [F2005L02329]*.
Auslink (National Land Transport) Act—
  Determination of conditions applying to payments under Part 8, dated 2 August 2005 [F2005L02288]*.
Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Proposals Nos—
Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act—Non-Confidentiality Determination No. 8 of 2005—Information provided by locally-incorporated banks and foreign ADIs under Reporting Standard ARS 320.0 (2005) [F2005L02319]*.
Australian Research Council Act—Determination No. 28—Approval of expenditure on research programs under section 51—Special Research Initiatives: E-Research Support, dated 8 August 2005; and Linkage International Fellowships (Round 10), dated 15 August 2005.


Banking Act—Banking (Exemption) Order No. 104 [F2005L02350]*.

Christmas Island Act—
Casino Legislation Ordinance 2005 (No. 1) [F2005L02298]*.
Importation of Dogs and Cats Amendment Ordinance 2005 (No. 1) [F2005L02241]*.

Civil Aviation Act—
Civil Aviation Regulations—Instruments Nos—
CASA 375/05—Direction – carriage of life rafts [F2005L02405]*.
WAO 856—Exemption – refuelling with patients on board [F2005L02304]*.

Civil Aviation Safety Regulations—Airworthiness Directives—Part—
AD/A320/135 Amdt 1—Main Landing Gear Side-Stay Cuff Lug [F2005L02427]*.
AD/A320/183—Additional Centre Fuel Tanks [F2005L02399]*.
AD/AS 355/85 Amdt 1—Sliding Door Rear Fitting Pin [F2005L02398]*.
AD/B727/196—Fuel Tank Float Switches [F2005L02391]*.
AD/B737/110 Amdt 2—Rudder Yaw Damper Valve Replacement [F2005L02397]*.
AD/B737/113 Amdt 1—Rudder Power Control Unit Replacement [F2005L02396]*.
AD/B737/130 Amdt 2—Rudder PCU – Displacement Tests [F2005L02395]*.
AD/B747/332—Fuselage Stringers at Body Station 460, 480, and 500 Frame Locations [F2005L02394]*.
AD/Ba 146/1—Fuselage Skin – Inspection and Modification [F2005L02426]*.
AD/Ba 146/36 Amdt 1—Wing to Fuselage Fairings [F2005L02425]*.
AD/Ba 146/91 Amdt 3—Flap Structure and Machined Ribs [F2005L02424]*.
AD/Ba 146/117—Main Landing Gear Door Hinges [F2005L02423]*.
AD/Beech 200/21 Amdt 12—Fuselage Fatigue Life Limitation [F2005L02422]*.
AD/Bell 47/71 Amdt 1—Tail Rotor Blades [F2005L02421]*.
AD/Bell 222/12—Swashplate Drive Link [F2005L02390]*.
AD/Bell 222/34—Tail Rotor Counterweight Bellcrank [F2005L02326]*.
AD/Bell 407/27 Amdt 1—Power Turbine RPM Steady State Operation Avoidance [F2005L02430]*.
AD/Bell 430/2—Power Turbine RPM Steady State Operation Avoidance [F2005L02428]*.
AD/BELL 430/3—Tail Rotor Counterweight Bellcrank [F2005L02327]*.

AD/BN-2/83 Amdt 1—Horizontal Stabiliser Attachment Bolts [F2005L02420]*.

AD/CESSNA 180/63 Amdt 1—Fuel Selector Quick Drain Valve [F2005L02387]*.

AD/CESSNA 336/11 Amdt 3—Wing Front and Rear Spars—Inspection [F2005L02419]*.

AD/CESSNA 337/22 Amdt 3—Wing Front and Rear Spars—Inspection [F2005L02418]*.

AD/CESSNA 400/102 Amdt 4—Elevator Forward Spar [F2005L02417]*.

AD/CL-600/66—Rudder Balance Spring Assembly [F2005L02385]*.

AD/CL-600/67—Horizontal Stabilizer Trim Actuator [F2005L02383]*.

AD/CL-600/68—Aileron Power Control Unit Links [F2005L02382]*.

AD/EC 120/12 Amdt 1—Collective Torque Tube Assembly [F2005L02415]*.

AD/ECUREUIL/109 Amdt 1—Sliding Door Rear Fitting Pin [F2005L02393]*.

AD/G1159/44—Adel Wiggins Floor Heater Pad System [F2005L02406]*.

AD/HS 125/176—Cockpit Ventilation and Avionics Cooling System Blowers [F2005L02380]*.

AD/LA-4/23 Amdt 1—Wing Fitting Carry Through Structure [F2005L02414]*.

AD/PA-34/51 Amdt 1—Combustion Heater Fuel Pumps [F2005L02379]*.

AD/PA-44/18 Amdt 1—Combustion Heater Fuel Pumps [F2005L02378]*.

AD/R22/36 Amdt 1—Main Rotor Blades—2 [F2005L02413]*.

AD/R22/52—Door and Window Assembly [F2005L02370]*.

AD/TBM 700/42—Rivets at Frames C18 BIS and C19 [F2005L02412]*.

AD/TAY/15—High Pressure Turbine Stage 1 Discs [F2005L02373]*.


Cocos (Keeling) Islands Act—Applied Laws (Implementation) Amendment Ordinance 2005 (No. 1) [F2005L02299]*.

Currency Act—Currency (Royal Australian Mint) Determination 2005 (No. 3) [F2005L02342]*.
Customs Act—

CEO Instruments of Approval Nos—
24 of 2005 [F2005L02362]*.
25 of 2005 [F2005L02365]*.
26 of 2005 [F2005L02402]*.
27 of 2005 [F2005L02438]*.

Select Legislative Instruments 2005 Nos—
185—Customs Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 4) [F2005L02222]*.
186—Customs Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 5) [F2005L02303]*.

Defence Act—Determination under section 58B—Defence Determinations—
2005/30—Housing and other conditions of service.
2005/31—Retention allowance – Air traffic controllers.
2005/32—Career Transition Scheme adjustments.
2005/33—Overseas conditions of service – post indexes.

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act—

Amendments of lists of—
Specimens taken to be suitable for live import, dated—
10 August 2005 [F2005L02316]*.
23 August 2005 [F2005L02371]*.
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National Health Act—Determinations Nos—
   HIB 12/2005 [F2005L02433]*.
   PB 24 of 2005 [F2005L02416]*.
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   Parliamentary Entitlements Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 1) [F2005L02321]*.
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   [F2005L02367]*.
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   (Plant Industries) Funding Determination 2005 [F2005L02334]*.
Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Act—Select Legislative Instrument 2005
   No. 189—Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment Regulations 2005
   (No. 3) [F2005L02338]*.
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   Notice of Withdrawal—PGBR 2003/3.
   PGBR 2005/2 and PGBR 2005/3.
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   Notices of Withdrawal—PR 2005/19, PR 2005/20, PR 2005/79 and
   PR 2005/93.
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   2005 [F2005L02340]*.
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   Rehabilitation and Compensation (Definition of Employee) Notice 2005 (2)
   [F2005L02325]*.
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   Opportunity) Act—Select Legislative Instrument 2005 No. 190—Schools
   Assistance (Learning Together — Achievement Through Choice and Opportunity)
   Regulations 2005 [F2005L02328]*.
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   Social Security (Class of Visas—Qualification for Special Benefit)
   Determination 2005 [F2005L02349]*.
   Social Security (Class of Visas—Qualification for Special Benefit)
   Determination 2005 (No. 2) [F2005L02353]*.
   Social Security (Declaration of Visa in a class of Visas—Special Benefit
   Activity Test) Determination 2005 [F2005L02354]*.
   Social Security Exempt Lump Sum (F-111 Deseal/Reseal) (DEST)
   Determination 2005 [F2005L02246]*.
   Social Security Exempt Lump Sum (F-111 Deseal/Reseal) (DEWR)
   Determination 2005 [F2005L02208]*.
   Social Security Exempt Lump Sum (F-111 Deseal/Reseal) (FaCS)
   Determination 2005 [F2005L02242]*.
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   [F2005L02351]*.
Social Security Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Determination 2005 (No. 2) [F2005L02352]*.


Superannuation Act 1976—
Superannuation (CSS) (Eligible Employees – Exclusion) Amendment Declaration 2005 (No. 2) [F2005L02386]*.
Superannuation (CSS) (Eligible Employees – Inclusion) Amendment Declaration 2005 (No. 2) [F2005L02388]*.

Superannuation Act 1990—
Superannuation (PSS) Membership Inclusion Amendment Declaration 2005 (No. 3) [F2005L02389]*.
Twenty-sixth Amending Deed to the Public Sector Superannuation Scheme Trust Deed [F2005L02372]*.

Superannuation Act 2005—
Superannuation (PSSAP) Unit Pricing Amendment Determination 2005 (No. 6) [F2005L02260]*.
Superannuation (PSSAP) Unit Pricing Amendment Determination 2005 (No. 7) [F2005L02341]*.
Superannuation (PSSAP) Unit Pricing Amendment Determination 2005 (No. 8) [F2005L02347]*.

Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act—Determination of requirements for an approved guarantee, dated 16 August 2005 [F2005L02320]*.

Sydney Airport Curfew Act—Curfew Dispensation Report—Dispensation No. 5/05 [2 dispensations].

Taxation Administration Act—PAYG withholding – special tax table for payments to individuals performing work or services in the Joint Petroleum Development Area (JPDA) as defined in the Timor Sea Treaty [F2005L02407]*.

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Notice of Withdrawal—TD 93/56.
TD 2005/34.

Therapeutic Goods Act—
Select Legislative Instruments 2005 Nos—
No. 192—Therapeutic Goods Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 1) [F2005L02312]*.
193—Therapeutic Goods (Medical Devices) Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 1) [F2005L02313]*.


Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Act—Select Legislative Instrument 2005 No. 194—Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 1) [F2005L02314]*.

Veterans’ Entitlements Act—
Select Legislative Instrument 2005 No. 196—Veterans’ Entitlements (DFISA-like Payment) Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 1) [F2005L02239]*.

* Explanatory statement tabled with legislative instrument.

29 Indexed Lists of Departmental and Agency Files—Order for Production of Documents—Documents
The following documents were tabled pursuant to the order of the Senate of 30 May 1996, as amended:
Indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 January to 30 June 2005—Statements of compliance—
Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio agencies.
Australian Taxation Office.
Comcare.
Department of Veterans’ Affairs.
Employment and Workplace Relations portfolio agencies.
Family and Community Services portfolio agencies.
National Water Commission.

30 Departmental and Agency Contracts—Order for Production of Documents—Documents
The following documents were tabled pursuant to the order of the Senate of 20 June 2001, as amended:
Departmental and agency contracts for 2004-05—Letters of advice—
Attorney-General’s portfolio agencies.
Environment and Heritage portfolio agencies.
Employment and Workplace Relations portfolio agencies.
Family and Community Services portfolio agencies.
Finance and Administration portfolio agencies.
Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio agencies.
Treasury portfolio agencies.
Veterans’ Affairs portfolio.

31 Committees—Changes in Membership
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) informed the Senate that the President had received letters requesting changes in the membership of various committees.
The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (Senator Colbeck), by leave, moved—that senators be discharged from and appointed to committees as follows:
Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee—
Appointed—Participating member: Senator Adams
Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts
References Committee—
   Appointed—
   Participating member: Senator Adams
   Substitute member: Senator Adams to replace Senator Ronaldson for the
commitee’s inquiry into the economic impact of salinity in the Australian
environment.

Question put and passed.

32 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY (COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT)
AMENDMENT BILL 2005
LAW AND JUSTICE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (SERIOUS DRUG OFFENCES AND
OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2005
CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2005

Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the
concurrence of the Senate the following bills:
   Message no. 200, dated 18 August 2005—A Bill for an Act to amend the
   Occupational Health and Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Act 1991, and for
   related purposes.
   relating to law and justice, and for related purposes.
   Message no. 203, dated 18 August 2005—A Bill for an Act to amend the

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
(Senator Colbeck) moved—That these bills may proceed without formalities, may be
taken together and be now read a first time.
Question put and passed.

Bills read a first time.

Senator Colbeck moved—That these bills be now read a second time.
On the motion of Senator Colbeck the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.
Consideration of legislation: Senator Colbeck moved—That the bills be listed on the
Notice Paper as separate orders of the day.
Question put and passed.

33 OFFSHORE PETROLEUM BILL 2005
OFFSHORE PETROLEUM (ANNUAL FEES) BILL 2005
OFFSHORE PETROLEUM (REGISTRATION FEES) BILL 2005
OFFSHORE PETROLEUM (REPEALS AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2005
OFFSHORE PETROLEUM (ROYALTY) BILL 2005
OFFSHORE PETROLEUM (SAFETY LEVIES) AMENDMENT BILL 2005

Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the
concurrence of the Senate the following bills:
   Message no. 210, dated 5 September 2005—A Bill for an Act about offshore
   petroleum, and for other purposes.
   Message no. 208, dated 5 September 2005—A Bill for an Act to provide for the
   payment of annual fees for certain permits, leases and licences under the Offshore
Message no. 207, dated 5 September 2005—A Bill for an Act to impose, as taxes, fees for the registration under the Offshore Petroleum Act 2005 of transfers of titles and approvals of dealings.


Message no. 209, dated 5 September 2005—A Bill for an Act to impose a royalty on petroleum recovered from the North West Shelf, and for related purposes.


The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (Senator Colbeck) moved—That these bills may proceed without formalities, may be taken together and be now read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Bills read a first time.

Senator Colbeck moved—That these bills be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Colbeck the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

34 Custom Amendment (Extension of Import Cut-over Time) Bill 2005
A message from the House of Representatives was reported agreeing to the following bill without amendment:

35 Arts Legislation Amendment (Maritime Museum and Film, Television and Radio School) Bill 2005
A message from the House of Representatives was reported agreeing to the following bill without amendment:

36 Governor-General’s Messages—Assent to Laws
Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were reported, informing the Senate that he had assented to the following laws:

23 August 2005—Message No. 28—
Border Protection Legislation Amendment (Deterrence of Illegal Foreign Fishing) Act 2005 (Act No. 103, 2005)

24 August 2005—Message—
No. 30—
Skilling Australia’s Workforce Act 2005 (Act No. 106, 2005)
29 August 2005—Message No. 31—


37 RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—CIVIL AVIATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (MUTUAL RECOGNITION WITH NEW ZEALAND) BILL 2005

Pursuant to order, Senator McGauran, at the request of the Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (Senator Heffernan), tabled the following report and documents:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator McGauran.

38 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—HEALTH INSURANCE AMENDMENT (MEDICARE SAFETY-NETS) BILL 2005

Pursuant to order, Senator McGauran, at the request of the Chair of the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (Senator Humphries), tabled the following report and documents:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator McGauran.

39 RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—MARITIME TRANSPORT AND OFFSHORE FACILITIES SECURITY AMENDMENT (MARITIME SECURITY GUARDS AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2005

Pursuant to order, Senator McGauran, at the request of the Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (Senator Heffernan), tabled the following report and documents:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator McGauran.

40 BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT BILL 2005
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT (CONSEQUENTIAL AND TRANSITIONAL) BILL 2005

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Special Minister of State (Senator Abetz)—That these bills be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.
Question put and passed.
Bills read a second time.
The Senate resolved itself into committee for the consideration of the bills.

In the committee

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT BILL 2005—

Bill taken as a whole by leave.

Senator Murray, also on behalf of the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Evans), moved the following amendment:

Page 2 (after line 12), after clause 2, insert:

2A Accountability for advertising expenditure

(1) Money must not be expended for any public education or advertising project in relation to any programs or matters arising out of this Act, where the cost of the project is estimated or contracted to be $100,000 or more, unless a statement has been presented to the Senate in accordance with this section.

(2) The statement must be presented by the minister to the Senate or, if the Senate is not sitting when the statement is ready for presentation, to the President of the Senate in accordance with the procedures of the Senate.

(3) The statement must indicate in relation to the proposed project:
   (a) the purpose and nature of the project; and
   (b) the intended recipients of the information to be communicated by the project; and
   (c) who authorised the project; and
   (d) the manner in which the project is to be carried out; and
   (e) who is to carry out the project; and
   (f) whether the project is to be carried out under a contract; and
   (g) whether such contract was let by tender; and
   (h) the estimated or contracted cost of the project; and
   (i) whether every part of the project conforms with the Audit and JCPAA guidelines; and
   (j) if the project in any part does not conform with those guidelines, the extent of, and reasons for, the non-conformity.


Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.
The committee divided—

AYES, 31

Senators—

Allison
Bartlett
Bishop
Brown, Bob
Brown, Carol
Campbell, George
Carr
Evans
Faulkner
Hogg
Hurley
Hutcheson
Kirk
Ladwig
Marshall

McEwen
Milne
Moore
Murray
Nettle
O’Brien
Polley
Sherry

Siewert
Stephens
Sterle
Stott Despoja
Webber (Teller)
Wong
Wortley

NOES, 34

Senators—

Abetz
Adams
Barnett
Brandis
Chapman
Colbeck
Eggleston
Ellison
Ferguson
Ferris (Teller)
Fierravanti-Wells
Fifield
Heffernan
Humphries
Johnston
Joyce
Kemp
Lightfoot
Macdonald, Ian
Macdonald, Sandy
Mason
McGauran
Minchin
Nash
Parry
Payne

Ronaldson
Santoro
Scullion
Troeth
Trood
Vanstone
Watson

Question negatived.

Senator Murray moved the following amendments together by leave:

Clause 2, page 2 (table item 2, cell at column 2), omit “9 March 2005.”, substitute “The day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.”.

Clause 2, page 2 (table item 4, cell at column 2), omit “9 March 2005.”, substitute “The day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.”.

Clause 2 page 2 (table item 6, cell at column 2), omit “9 March 2005.”, substitute “The day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.”.

Debate ensued.

At 9.50 pm: The Deputy President (Senator Hogg) resumed the chair and the Temporary Chair of Committees (Senator Barnett) reported progress.

41 ADJOURNMENT

The Deputy President (Senator Hogg) proposed the question—That the Senate do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Document: Senator Stott Despoja, by leave, tabled the following document:

Australian Democrats—Youth Poll 2005.

Debate continued.

The Senate adjourned at 10.27 pm till Tuesday, 6 September 2005 at 12.30 pm.
42 ATTENDANCE
Present, all senators except Senators Calvert*, Crossin, Lundy and Ray* (* on leave).

HARRY EVANS
Clerk of the Senate