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NOTE: If you want the Second Reading Speech of an older Bill, you may need to use the hard copy of the Hansard Parliamentary Debates. Use the [Library catalogue](#) to locate these.

[Lawlex Full text](#) (Cth 1996; NSW 1999+)

The Second Reading Speech can be located via a search for an Act or via Bill Tracking. If you have an older act you may need to use the hard copy of the Parliamentary Debates. Use the [Library catalogue](#) to locate these.

TIP:

- At **Lawlex** homepage sign in – “**Click here** to continue as the University of Wollongong Research User” & click **Search legislation**
- Use the keyword search to locate the appropriate Act
- Click on the appropriate Act (this will take you to the Core Document Page)
- Click on **Hansard - 2nd Reading Speech**

[Hansard](#) (CTH) (1981+)

This takes you to Hansard where you can browse by date by clicking either [House Hansard](#) or [Senate Hansard](#) from the left margin

If a date for a Second Reading speech isn't known -

- From to task bar click **Find**
- Click **Parll info Search**
- Type **Second reading Speech** and then **keywords of Act**
- Click **search**

Older hard copies can be located in the Library:

- [Parliamentary Debates](#) (CTH) Both Houses (1901 - 1953) S 328.9402/1
- Hansard (Cth) House of Representatives (Sept 1953- 1995) S 328.9402/2
- Hansard (CTH) Senate (Sept 1953-1995) S 328.9402/3

[Hansard](#) (NSW) (October 1981+)

TIP:

- At search page
- Click **Hansard by Bill**
- Clicking **Hansard and Papers** offers further alternatives
- Hansard is not available online prior to 1981

Older hard copies of Parliamentary Debates can be located in the Library:

- [New South Wales Parliamentary Debates](#) (Hansard) (1879+) S328.94406/1

[Sydney Morning Herald Reports of Parliamentary Debates](#) (1843-1880)

Hansard was not produced until Oct 1879. Instead, reports of parliamentary debates were published in the Sydney Morning Herald. See the [New South Wales Index to Parliamentary Debates](#) (22 May 1965- Nov 1880) for an index into these Sydney Morning Herald Reports.