

## **WORK OF COMMITTEES**

**Year Statistics: 1 January 2016–31 December 2016**  
**Half-Year Statistics: 1 July 2016–31 December 2016**

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## **FORMAT OF THIS REPORT**

This report is divided into several sections that provide statistics on committee work during the following periods:

- the half year (1 July 2016 to 31 December 2016); and
- the calendar year (1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016).

Statistics on these periods are kept in order to record information based on parliamentary terms as well as half, financial and full year periods.

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## **NOTE ON THE DOUBLE DISSOLUTION OF 9 MAY 2016**

Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees, Joint Committees, Select Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office and other committees ceased to exist when the Senate and the House of Representatives were dissolved on 9 May 2016 for a general election on 2 July 2016. The 45<sup>th</sup> Parliament commenced on 30 August 2016. Consequently, statistics in this publication begin on 30 August 2016.





## ABBREVIATIONS

### *Committees*

ACLEI	Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity
CA	Community Affairs
Cancer Research Funding	Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates
CFS	Corporations and Financial Services
ECO	Economics
EE	Education and Employment
EC	Environment and Communications
Electricity	Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World
FADT	Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
FPA	Finance and Public Administration
LCA	Legal and Constitutional Affairs
LE	Law Enforcement
NBN	National Broadband Network
NDIS	National Disability Insurance Scheme
Red Tape	Red Tape Committee
RRAT	Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
Same-sex Marriage	Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill

### *Political Affiliations*

AG	Australian Greens
ALP	Australian Labor Party
CLP	Country Liberal Party
DHJP	Derryn Hinch's Justice Party
FF	Family First Party
JLN	Jacqui Lambie Network
LDP	Liberal Democratic Party
LP	Liberal Party of Australia
NATS	The Nationals
NXT	Nick Xenophon Team
PHON	Pauline Hanson's One Nation



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Bills referred to Senate committees [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Bills\\_Legislation/Bills\\_and\\_Committees/Bills\\_referred\\_to\\_Senate\\_committees](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Bills_Legislation/Bills_and_Committees/Bills_referred_to_Senate_committees)

Today's Public Hearings (*daily list of committee public hearings held in Canberra or interstate*) [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Todays\\_Public\\_Hearings](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Todays_Public_Hearings)

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\*A selection of reports presented prior to June 1997 and all reports tabled thereafter are available online.

## Information pamphlets

Making a Submission [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Making\\_a\\_submission](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Making_a_submission)

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## DIRECTORY OF COMMITTEES

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Administered</i>	<i>Phone (02)</i>	<i>Fax (02)</i>
Appropriations, Staffing and Security	Standing	S	6277 3015	6277 5784
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5809
Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4888	6277 4204
Chairs'	Standing	S	6277 3371	6277 3199
Community Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3515	6277 5829
Corporations and Financial Services	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3583	6277 5719
Economics*	LGPS	S	6277 3540	6277 5719
Electoral Matters	Joint	H	6277 2374	6277 4773
Education and Employment*	LGPS	S	6277 3521	6277 5706
Environment and Communications*	LGPS	S	6277 3526	6277 5818
Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill	Select	S	6277 3228	6277 5829
Finance and Public Administration*	LGPS	S	6277 3439	6277 5809
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	Joint	H	6277 4629	6277 2221
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade*	LGPS	S	6277 3535	6277 5818
Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates	Select	S	6277 3419	6277 5809
Government Procurement	Joint Select	H	6277 4642	6277 2219
House	Standing	S	6277 3398	6277 3199
Human Rights	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3066	6277 5767
Intelligence and Security	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4588	6277 2067
Law Enforcement	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5809
Legal and Constitutional Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3560	6277 5794
Migration	Joint	H	6277 4560	6277 4844
National Broadband Network	Joint Standing	S	6277 3585	6277 5594
National Capital and External Territories	Joint	H	6277 4355	6277 4844
National Disability Insurance Scheme	Joint Standing	S	6277 3083	6277 5829
Northern Australia	Joint Standing	H	6277 4162	6277 4427
Parliamentary Library	Joint	DPS	6277 7102	6277 2403
Privileges	Standing	S	6277 3360	6277 3199
Procedure	Standing	S	6277 3350	6277 3199
Public Accounts and Audit	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4615	6277 2220
Public Works	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4636	6277 4844
Publications	Standing	S	6277 3037	6277 5784
Regulations and Ordinances	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3066	6277 5881
Red Tape	Standing			
Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World	Select	S	6277 3228	6277 5829
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport*	Select	S	6277 3544	6277 5719
Scrutiny of Bills	LGPS	S	6277 3511	6277 5811
	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3051	6277 5881
	Standing			
Selection of Bills	Standing	S	6277 3020	6277 3098
Senators' Interests	Standing	S	6277 3360	6277 3199
Trade and Investment Growth	Joint Standing	H	6277 2233	6277 8461
Treaties	Joint	H	6277 4002	6277 2219

**H** Department of the House of Representatives

**DPS** Department of Parliamentary Services

**LGPS** Legislative and General Purpose Standing

**S** Department of the Senate

**\*** Legislation and References Committees



## COMMITTEES ADMINISTERED BY THE SENATE COMMITTEE OFFICE

### Introduction

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office provided staffing and resources for the following committees:

- Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees;
- Certain Joint Statutory and Joint Standing Committees; and
- Senate Select Committees.

### Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees

The Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees and the relevant portfolio/subject areas allocated to them are as follows:

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Portfolio/subject area</i>
Community Affairs Legislation References	Health and Aged Care Social Services (including Human Services)
Economics Legislation References	Industry, Innovation and Science Treasury
Education and Employment Legislation References	Education and Training Employment
Environment and Communications Legislation References	Communications and the Arts Environment and Energy
Finance and Public Administration Legislation References	Finance Parliament Prime Minister and Cabinet (including Indigenous Affairs)
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation References	Defence (including Veterans' Affairs) Foreign Affairs and Trade
Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation References	Attorney-General's Immigration and Border Protection
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation References	Agriculture and Water Resources Infrastructure and Regional Development

### **Joint Statutory Committees**

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office also administered three Joint Statutory Committees comprising members of the House of Representatives and Senators. These are:

- Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity
- Corporations and Financial Services, and
- Law Enforcement

### **Joint Standing Committee**

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office also administered the following Joint Standing Committees comprising members of the House of Representatives and Senators:

- National Broadband Network
- National Disability Insurance Scheme

### **Senate Select Committees**

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office provided staffing and resources for the following Senate Select Committees:

- Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill
- Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates
- Red Tape Committee
- Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World

### **Joint Select Committees**

There were no Joint Select Committees appointed during the reporting period.



# **PART ONE**

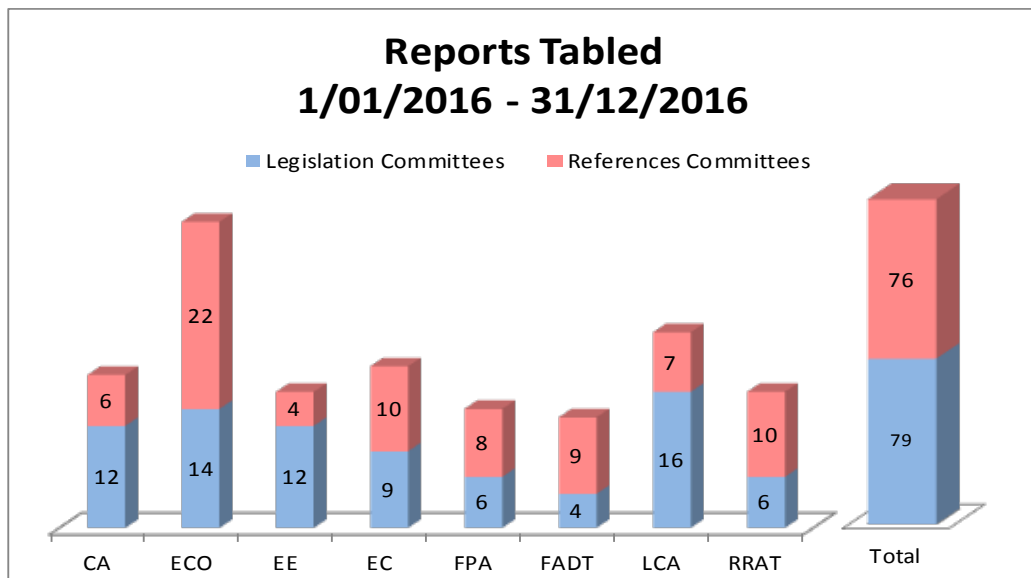
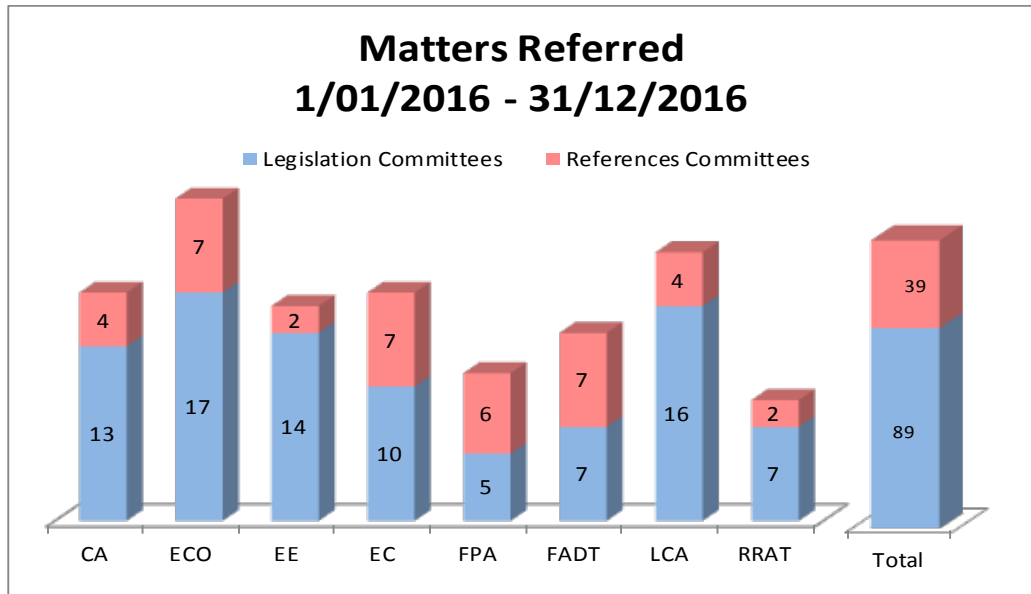
**Legislation and References  
Committees at a glance**

**30 August 2016–31 December 2016**



## Senate Committees at a glance

### Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees



CA (Community Affairs), ECO (Economics), EE (Education and Employment),  
 EC (Environment & Communications), FPA (Finance & Public Administration), FADT (Foreign Affairs,  
 Defence & Trade), LCA (Legal & Constitutional Affairs), RRAT (Rural & Regional Affairs & Transport)



# **PART TWO**

**Consolidated Statistical Overview  
(Calendar Year)**

**1 January 2016–31 December 2016**



# Calendar Year Statistical Overview of Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

1 January 2016–31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 January 2016	Inquiries lapsed at dissolution of Senate on 9 May 2016	Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Legislation	21	19	89 (A)	77 + 1 <sup>^</sup> + (1 <sup>**</sup> ) + (1 <sup>#</sup> ) (B)	13
References	44	35	65 (A)	36 + (33 <sup>**</sup> ) + (7 <sup>#</sup> ) (B)	38
Joint/Select	16	13	20	5 + (10 <sup>**</sup> )	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>118 + 1<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>69</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hours	Public Estimates	Hours	Private	Hours	Insp/Other	Hours	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	29	121:34	54	480:46	185	24:03	0	0:00	268	626:23
References	95	383:14	0	0:00	191	41:59	5	9:05	291	434:18
Joint/Select	34	134:52	0	0:00	87	32:12	6	16:57	127	184:01
<b>Total</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>639:40</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>480:46</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>98:14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>26:02</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>1244:42</b>

Meetings by State										
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD		
Legislation	247	5	12	2	0	1	0	1		
References	221	19	14	3	7	9	8	10		
Joint/Select	95	10	2	3	0	4	4	9		
<b>Total</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>20</b>		

	Broadcast Hearings	Witnesses			No. of Submissions	Government Responses
		Estimates	Bills	General		
Legislation	83	2869	416	0	1810	5
References	96	0	0	1292	4801	32
Joint/Select	34	0	0	453	892	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>2869</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>1745</b>	<b>7503</b>	<b>40</b>

(A) 16 Annual Reports and 16 Estimates references; 56 Individual/packages of bills; 1 Legislation Committee reference; 39 other references; 26 references re-adopted

(B) 16 Reports on Annual Reports; 8 estimates reports; 53 bills reports; 36 References Committee reports

\*\* Interim reports

<sup>^</sup> 2 inquiries were discharged by one report

<sup>#</sup> Reports on references not disposed of at the end of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament





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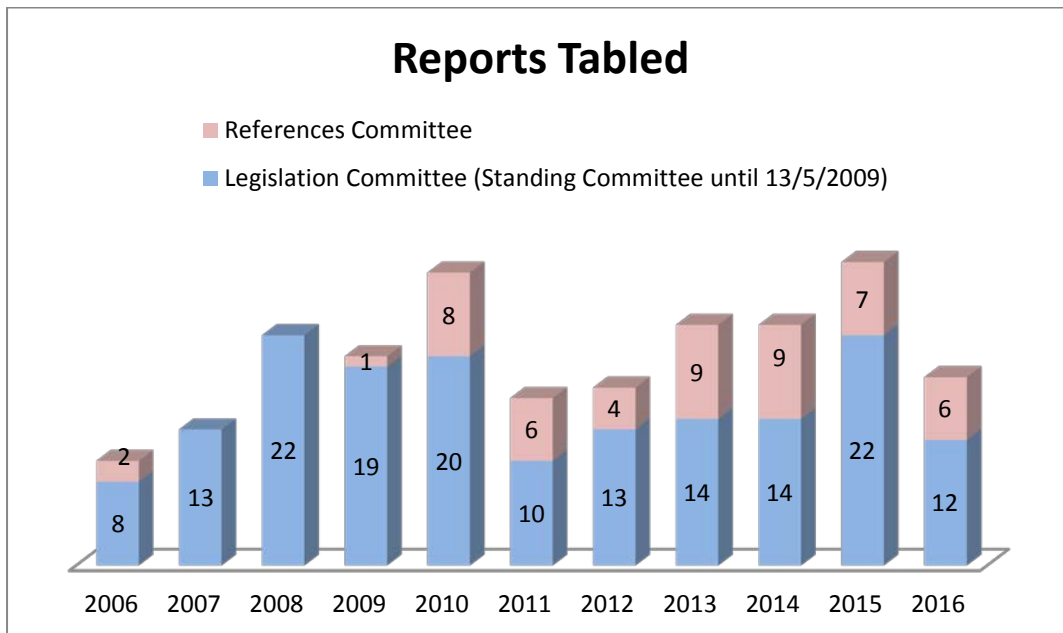
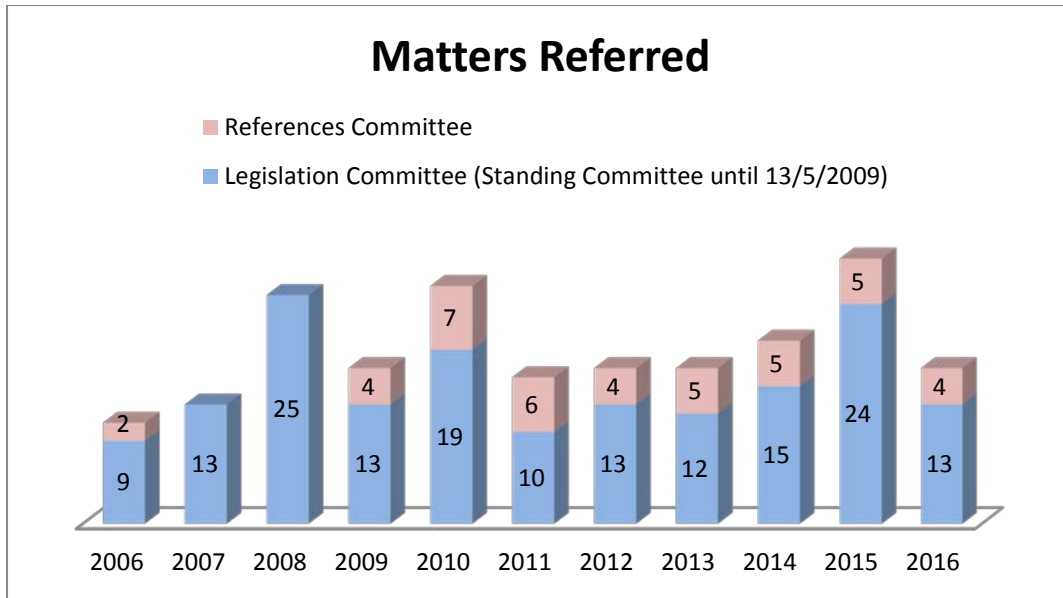
**Matters referred and Reports  
tabled annually (by Committee)**

**1 January 2006–31 December 2016**



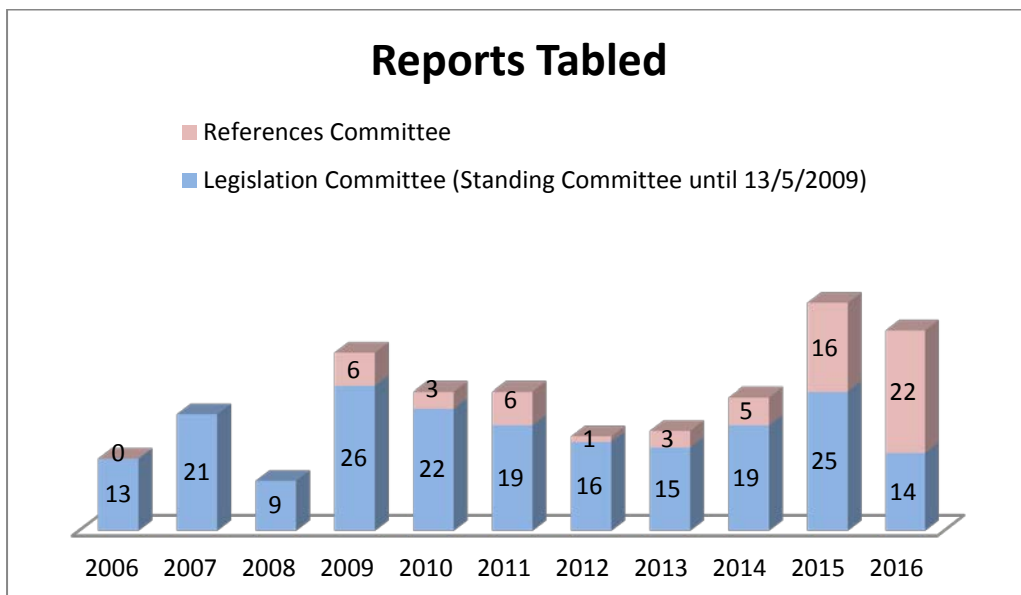
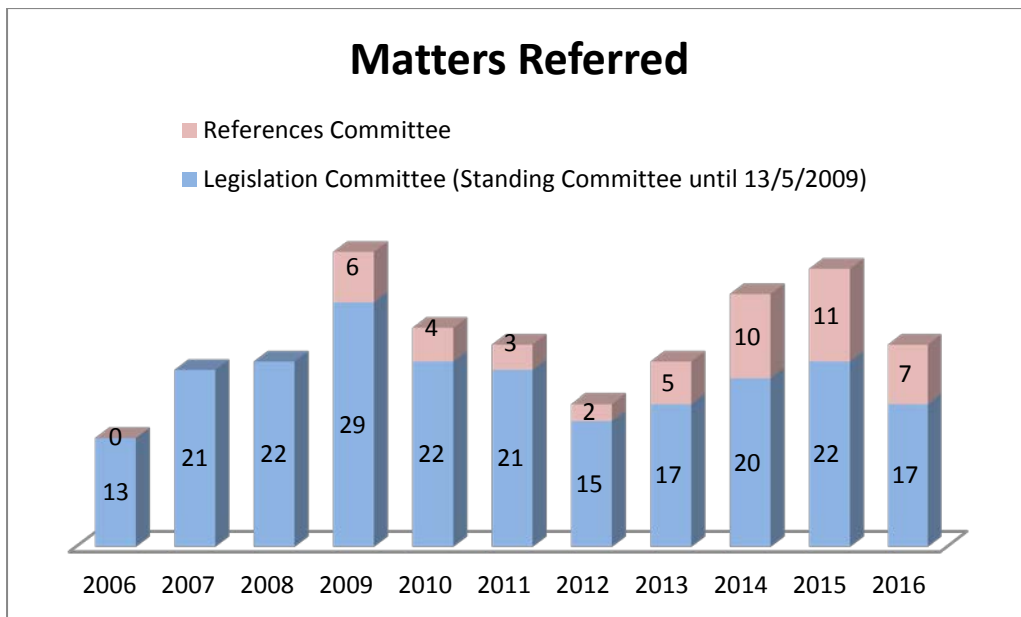
# Community Affairs Legislation and References Committees

**Matters referred and Reports tabled annually  
1 January 2006–31 December 2016**



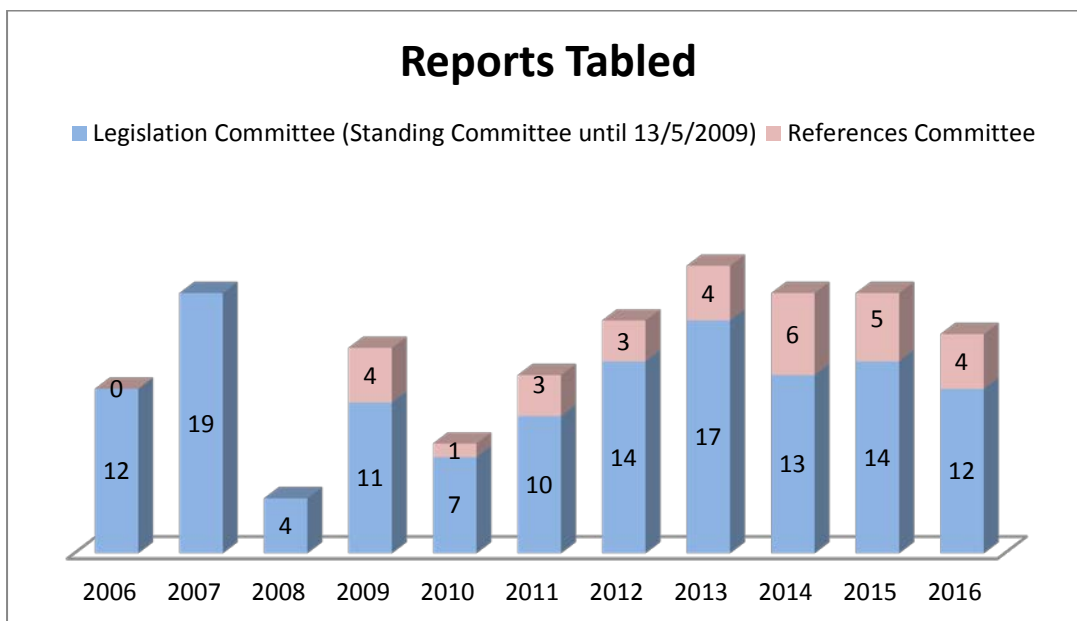
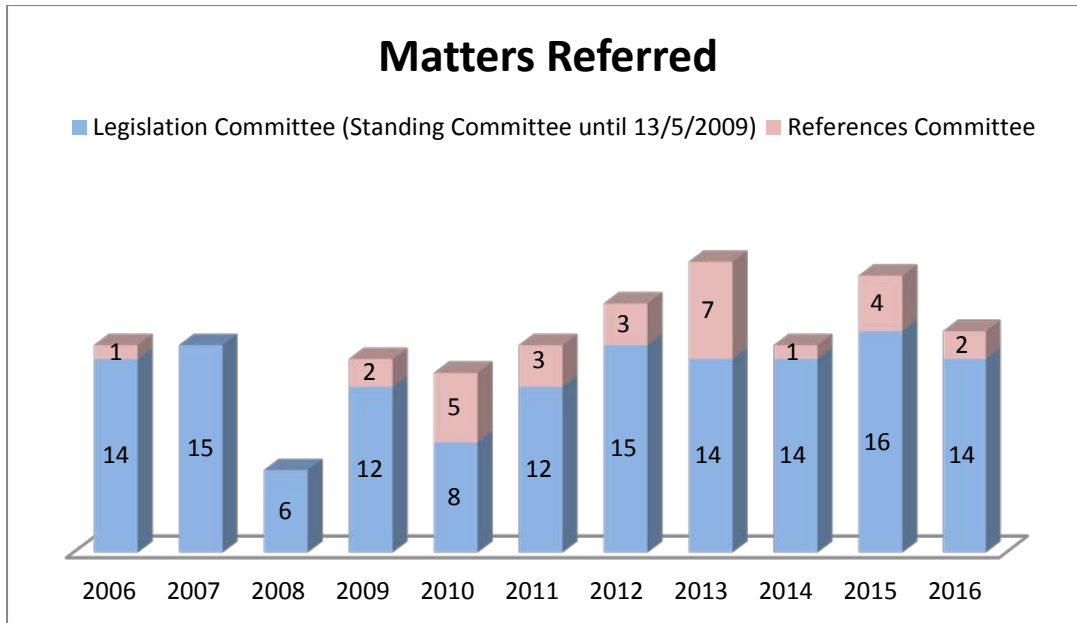
# Economics Legislation and References Committees

Matters referred and Reports tabled annually  
1 January 2006–31 December 2016



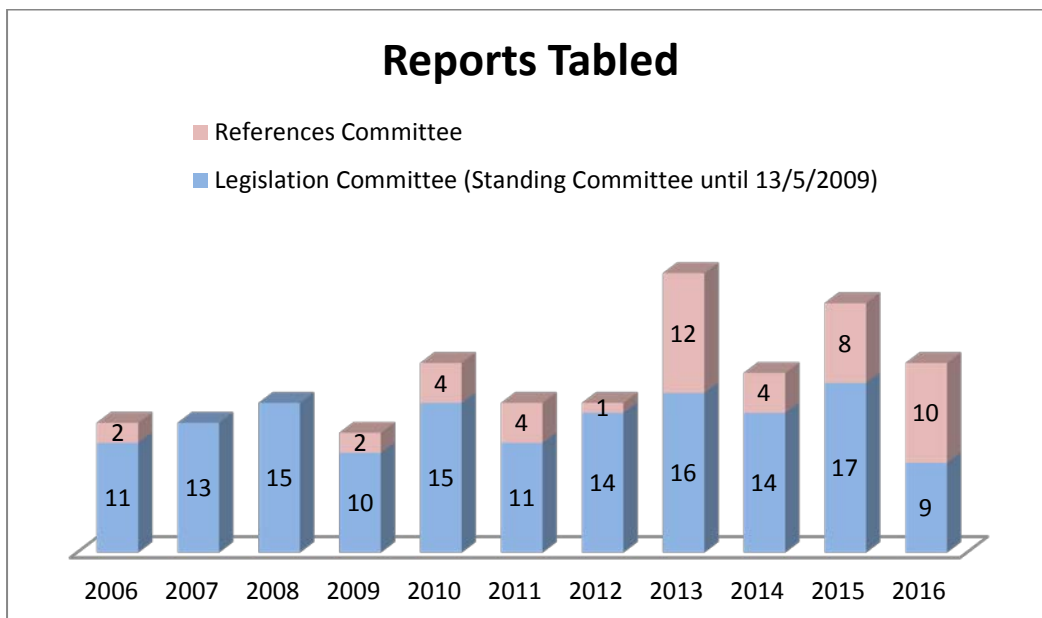
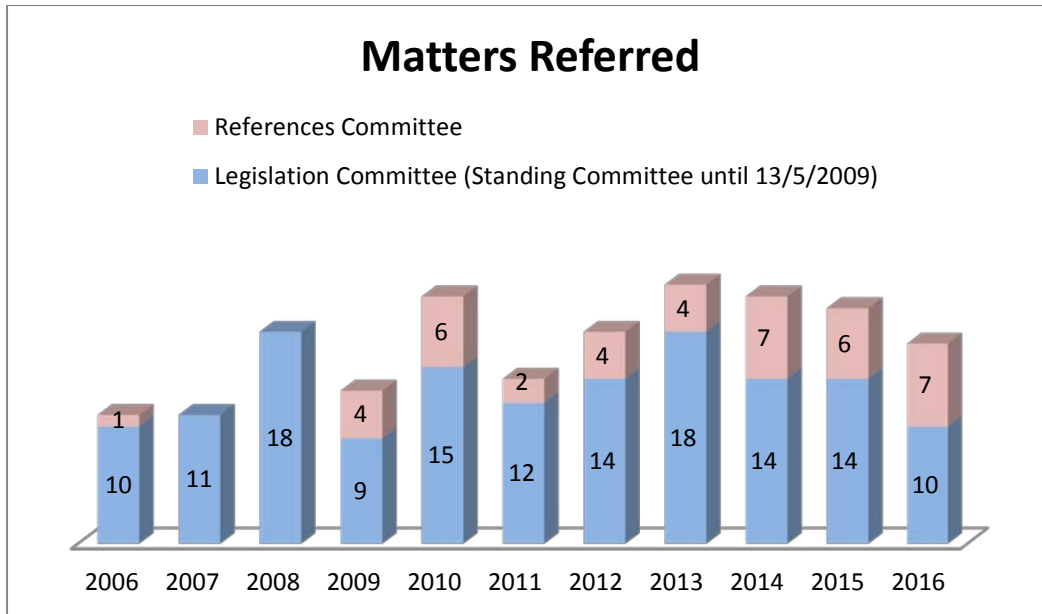
# Education and Employment Legislation and References Committees

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1 January 2006–31 December 2016



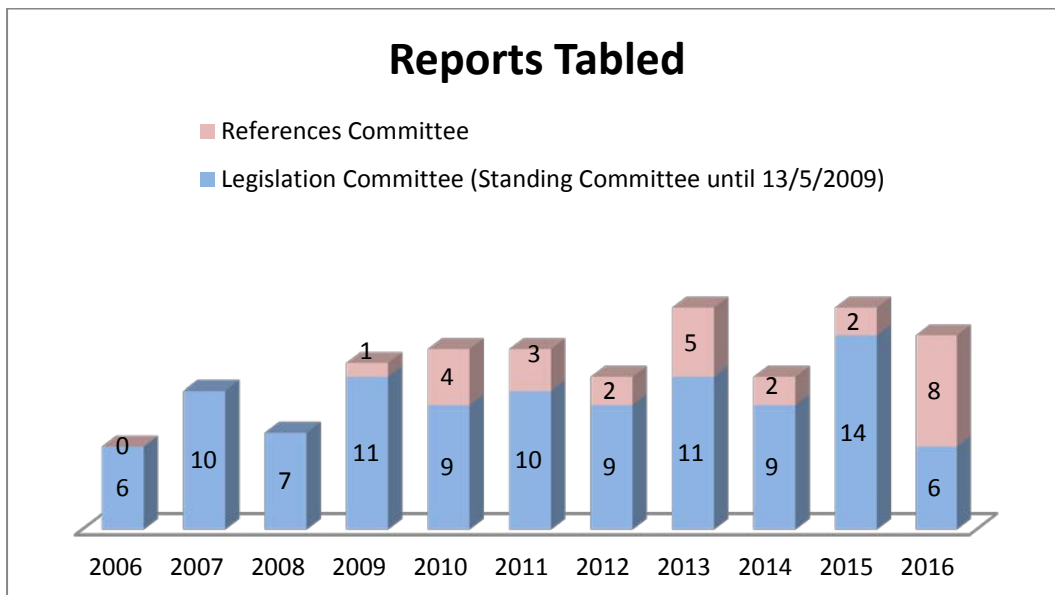
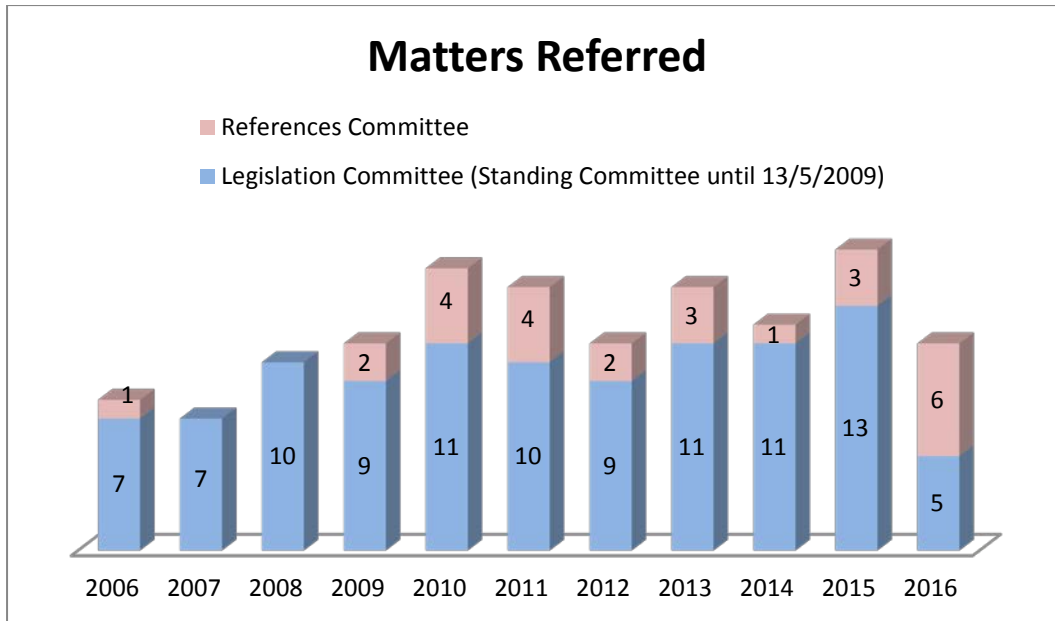
# Environment and Communications Legislation and References Committees

Matters referred and Reports tabled annually  
1 January 2006–31 December 2016



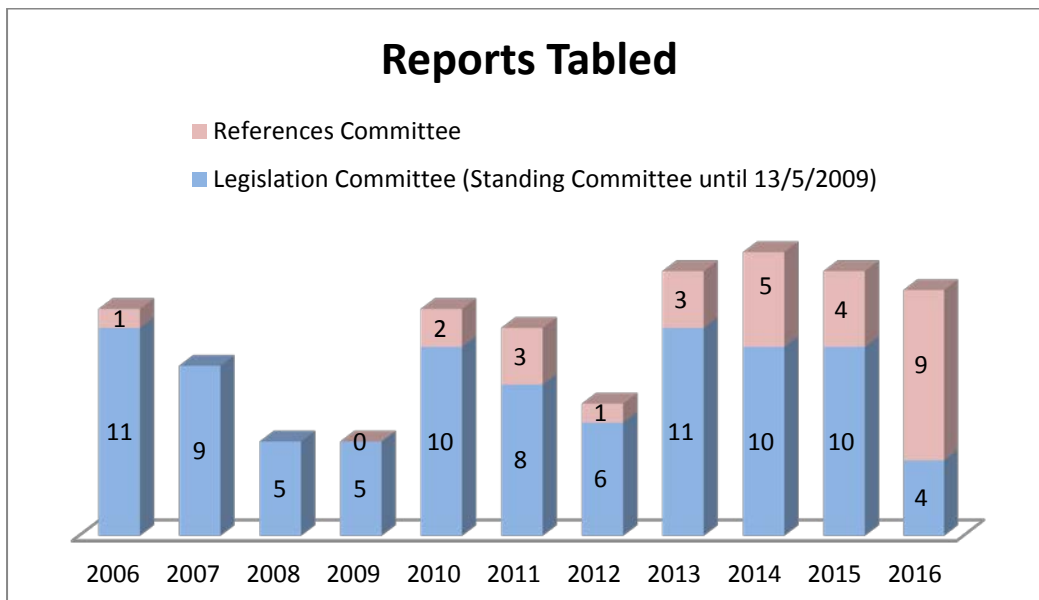
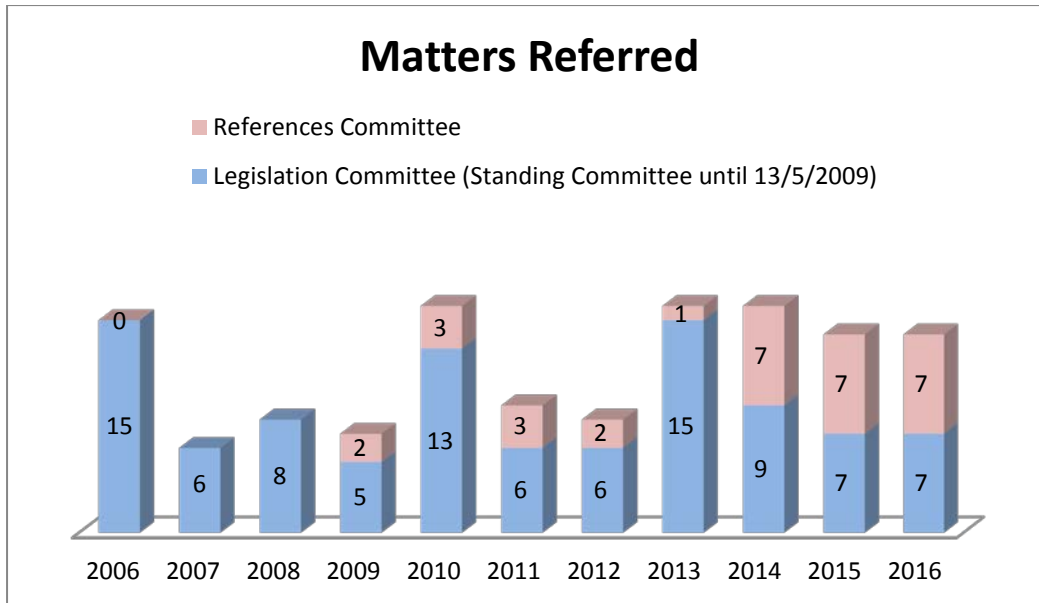
# Finance and Public Administration Legislation and References Committees

Matters referred and Reports tabled annually  
1 January 2006–31 December 2016



# Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation and References Committees

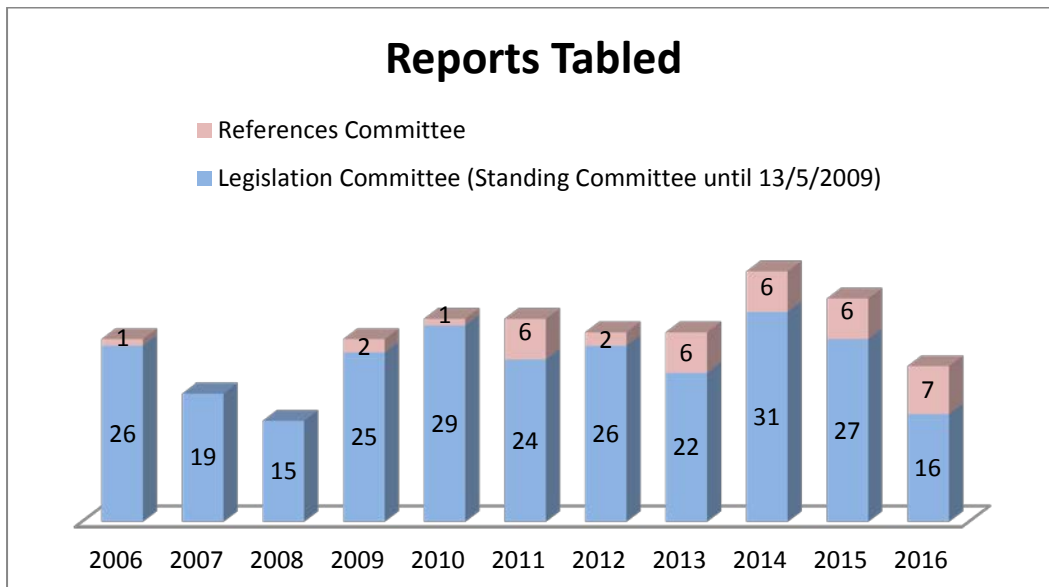
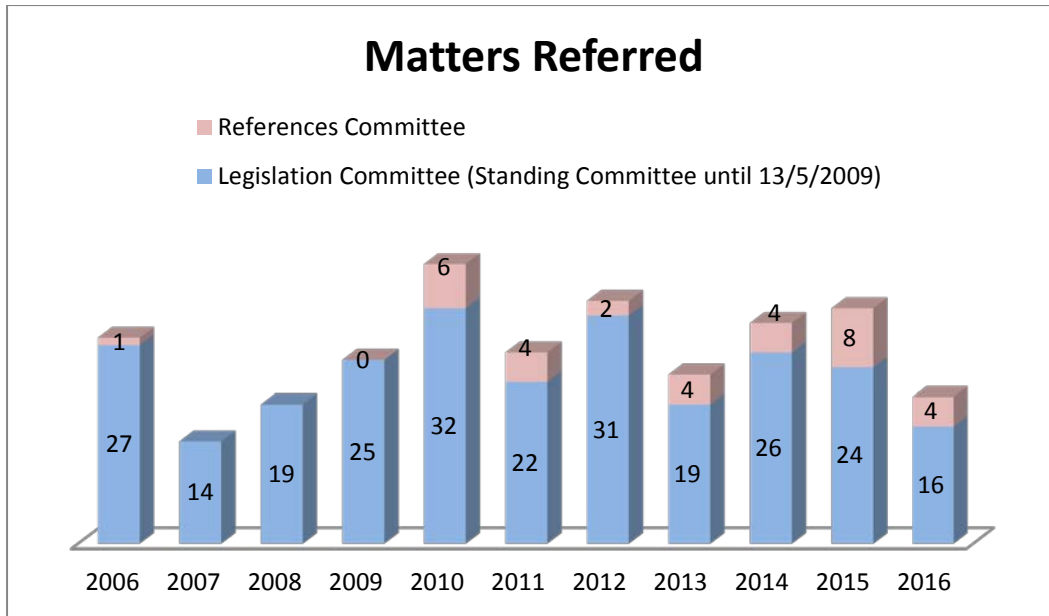
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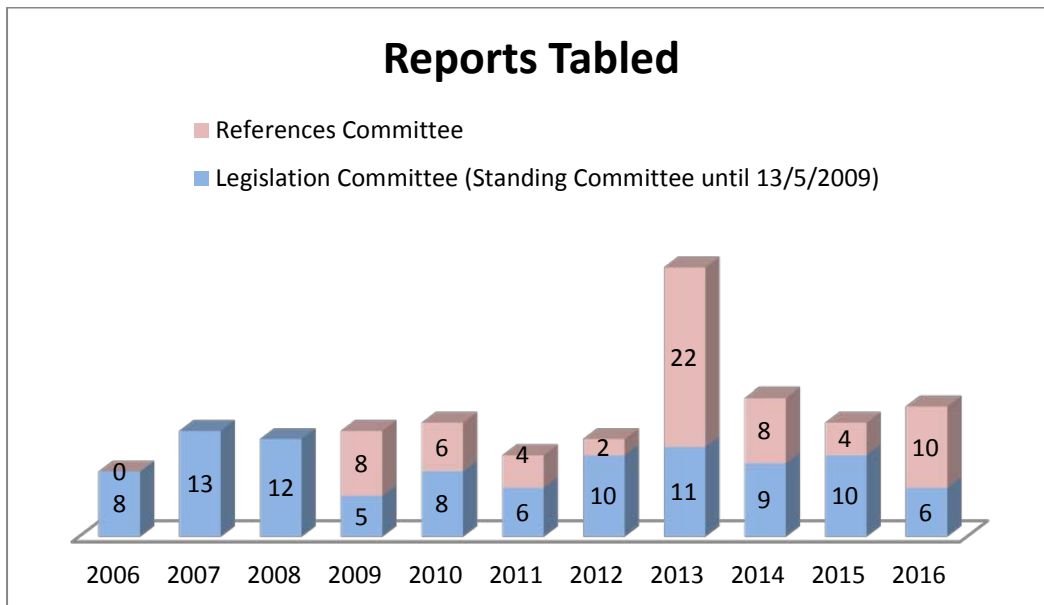
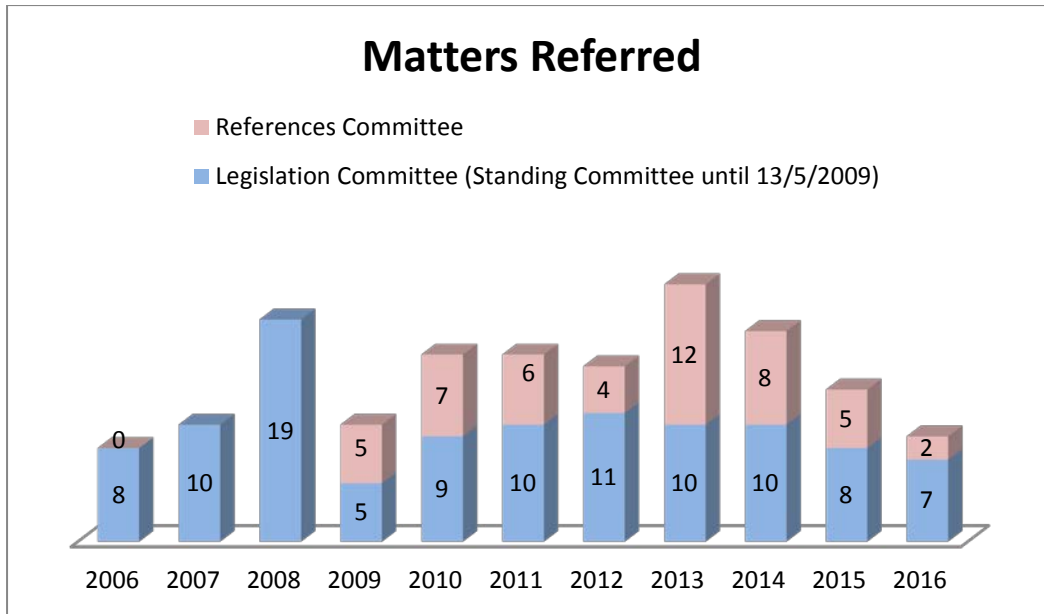
# Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation and References Committees

Matters referred and Reports tabled annually  
1 January 2006–31 December 2016



# Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation and References Committees

Matters referred and Reports tabled annually  
1 January 2006–31 December 2016



# **PART FOUR**

## **Consolidated Statistical Overview (Half Year)**

**1 July 2016–31 December 2016**



# Half-Year Statistical Overview of Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

1 July 2016–31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Legislation	0	47 (A)	33+ 1 <sup>^</sup> + (1#) (B)	13
References	0	52 (A)	14 + (3**) + (7#) (B)	38
Joint/Select	0	18	0	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>47 + 1<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>69</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting											
	Public	Hours	Public Estimates	VIC	NSW	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD	Total Hours
Legislation	17	75:01	21	7	3	2	0	1	0	1	294:32
References	35	151:14	0	7	4	2	3	5	7	1	177:05
Joint/Select	2	04:23	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	12:40
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>230:38</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>484:17</b>

Meetings by State										
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD		
Legislation	121	3	7	2	0	1	0	1		
References	110	4	7	2	3	5	7	1		
Joint/Select	24	1	0	0	0	0	0	0		
<b>Total</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>		

	Broadcast Hearings	Witnesses			No. of Submissions	Government Responses
		Estimates	Bills	General		
Legislation	38	1232	258	0	1253	3
References	35	0	0	516	1630	16
Joint/Select	2	0	0	22	196	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>1232</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>3079</b>	<b>19</b>

(A) 8 Annual Reports references; 39 Individual/packages of bills; 26 other references; 26 references re-adopted

(B) 8 Reports on Annual Reports; 25 bills reports; 17 References Committee reports

\*\* Interim reports

<sup>^</sup> 2 inquiries were discharged by one report

# Reports on references not disposed of at the end of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament



# **PART FIVE**

**Statistics on 2016-17  
Supplementary Budget Estimates  
(October, November and  
December 2016)**





## Statistics on 2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October, November and December 2016)

<b>Community Affairs</b>	<b>2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2016)</b>	<b>Total</b>
No. of public meetings	2 (19–20 October 2016)	2
Hours by portfolio:		
- Health and Aged Care	11:27	11:27
- Human Services	02:27	02:27
- Social Services	09:01	09:01
<b>Hours of public meetings</b>	<b>22:55</b>	<b>22:55</b>

<b>Economics</b>	<b>2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2016)</b>	<b>Total</b>
No. of public meetings	2 (19–20 October 2016)	2
Hours by portfolio:		
- Industry, Innovation and Science	08:15	08:15
- Treasury	16:40	16:40
<b>Hours of public meetings</b>	<b>24:55</b>	<b>24:55</b>

<b>Education and Employment</b>	<b>2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2016)</b>	<b>Total</b>
No. of public meetings	2 (19–20 October 2016)	2
Hours by portfolio:		
- Education and Training	10:55	10:55
- Employment	10:54	10:54
<b>Hours of public meetings</b>	<b>21:49</b>	<b>21:49</b>

<b>Environment and Communications</b>	<b>2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October/November 2016)</b>	<b>Total</b>
No. of public meetings	4 (17–18 and 21 October and 25 November 2016)	4
Hours by portfolio:		
- Communications and the Arts	15:30	15:30
- Environment and Energy	14:09	14:09
<b>Hours of public meetings</b>	<b>29:39</b>	<b>29:39</b>

<b>Finance and Public Administration</b>	<b>2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2016)</b>	<b>Total</b>
No. of public meetings	3 (17–18 and 21 October 2016)	3
Hours by portfolio:		
- Finance	10:39	10:39
- Parliament	02:07	02:07
- Prime Minister and Cabinet	08:25	08:25
- Cross portfolio Indigenous matters	05:01	05:01
<b>Hours of public meetings</b>	<b>26:12</b>	<b>26:12</b>

## Statistics on 2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October, November and December 2016)

<b>Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade</b>	<b>2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2016)</b>	<b>Total</b>
No. of public meetings	2 (19–20 October 2016)	2
Hours by portfolio:		
- Defence	07:44	07:44
- Foreign Affairs and Trade	11:11	11:11
- Veterans' Affairs	03:13	03:13
<b>Hours of public meetings</b>	<b>22:08</b>	<b>22:08</b>

<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs</b>	<b>2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2016)</b>	<b>Total</b>
No. of public meetings	3 (17–18 October and 12 December 2016)	3
Hours by portfolio:		
- Attorney-General's	19:38	19:38
- Immigration and Border Protection	09:06	09:06
<b>Hours of public meetings</b>	<b>28:44</b>	<b>28:44</b>

<b>Rural &amp; Regional Affairs and Transport</b>	<b>2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2016)</b>	<b>Total</b>
No. of public meetings	3 (17–18 October and 22 November 2016)	3
Hours by portfolio:		
- Agriculture and Water Resources	11:59	11:59
- Infrastructure and Regional Development	15:11	15:11
<b>Hours of public meetings</b>	<b>27:10</b>	<b>27:10</b>

**The number of days the committees met to consider estimates:**

**2016–17 Supplementary Budget Estimates**

**8 days** (17 – 21 October; 22 and 25 November, 12 December 2016)

# **PART SIX**

**30 August 2016–31 December 2016**



**Legislative and General Purpose  
Standing Committees administered  
by the Senate Committee Office  
30 August 2016–31 December 2016**



## **Community Affairs**

## Community Affairs

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Legislation	0	7	6	1
References	0	7	3 +(2#)	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>

### Number and Hours of Meeting

Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	3	2	22:55	15	1:36	0	0:00	20	37:08
References	13	0	0:00	14	4:13	3	5:00	30	60:33
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22:55</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>5:49</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5:00</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>97:41</b>

### Meetings By State

ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
References	3	0	1	0	5	7	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>

### Witnesses

Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	78	45	0	176	0
References	0	0	224	105	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>2</b>

\* Includes referral of Annual reports x 1

# Reports on references not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament



## Community Affairs (Legislation)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Jonathon Duniham (TAS, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP)	10.10.2016
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Former member</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	01.09.2016–10.10.2016

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Welfare Payment Integrity) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	03.03.2016 (SB)
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Interest Charge) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	03.03.2016 (SB)

### Inquiries re-referred

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	No. 2 of 2016 tabled 12.10.2016	Ongoing

### New References 30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Budget Estimates 2016-17	01.09.2016 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 3–1 September 2016, p.111)	19–20 October 2016— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No
National Cancer Screening Register Bill 2016 [Provisions] and National Cancer Screening Register (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	13.09.2016	29.09.2016—Sydney	11.10.2016	No
National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016 [Provisions]	15.09.2016 (SB)	14.10.2016—Canberra	07.11.2016	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Budget Repair) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	15.09.2016 (SB)	Nil	10.10.2016	No
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Transition Mobility Allowance to the National Disability Insurance Scheme) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	13.10.2016 (SB)	21.11.2016–Canberra	24.11.2016	No
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Simplifying Student Payments) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	13.10.2016 (SB)	Nil	07.11.2016	No
Fairer Paid Parental Leave Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.11.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

### **Government Responses**

*30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)*

# Community Affairs (References)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Jonathon Duniam (TAS, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP)	10.10.2016
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Substitute member</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP) <sup>1</sup>	10.10.2016
<b>Former member</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	01.09.2016–10.10.2016
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP) <sup>2</sup>	02.11.2016–02.11.2016
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP) <sup>3</sup>	15.09.2016–10.10.2016

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Dastyari for the committee's inquiry into the future of Australia's aged care sector workforce

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Watt for the committee's inquiry into growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Farrell for the committee's inquiry into the future of Australia's aged care sector workforce

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients	12.11.2015
Future of Australia's aged care sector workforce	01.12.2015
Indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment in Australia	02.12.2015
Medical complaints process in Australia	02.02.2016

### Reports on references of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament 30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Report	Report Tabled
Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament	13.09.2016
Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament	15.09.2016

### Inquiries re-referred

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment in Australia	13.09.2016	19.09.2016–Perth 25.10.2016–Darwin 26.10.2016–Alice Springs 08.11.2016–Canberra	29.11.2016	No
Future of Australia's aged care sector workforce	13.09.2016	27.09.2016–Perth 28.09.2016–Bunbury WA 25.10.2016–Darwin 26.10.2016–Alice Springs 31.10.2016–Launceston 03.11.2016–Canberra	Nil	Yes

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>30.08.2016–31.12.2016</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients	13.09.2016	02.11.2016–Sydney	30.11.2016	No
Medical complaints process in Australia	15.09.2016	01.11.2016–Sydney 22.11.2016–Canberra	30.11.2016	No

**New References**  
*30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>30.08.2016–31.12.2016</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Price regulation associated with the Prostheses List Framework	21.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Delivery of outcomes under the National Disability Strategy 2010-2020 to build inclusive and accessible communities	29.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Complaints mechanism administered under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law	01.12.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
*30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients–Interim report	09.11.2016	04.05.2016
Bridging our growing divide: inequality in Australia The extent of income inequality in Australia	Presented OOS 21.12.2016	03.12.2014

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)*

**Economics**

# Economics

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Legislation	0	10	7 +(1#)	3
References	0	13	1+(2**)+(1#)	12
Total	0	23	8	15

## Number and Hours of Meeting

	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	3	11:30	2	23:55	15	1:07	0	0:00	20	36:32
References	4	24:50	0	0:00	12	2:53	0	0:00	16	27:43
Total	7	36:20	2	23:55	27	4:00	0	0:00	36	64:15

## Meetings By State

	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	17	0	0	2	0	0	0	1
References	13	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Total	30	0	3	2	0	0	0	1

## Witnesses

	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	5	188	34	0	382	0
References	4	0	0	82	179	2
Total	9	188	34	82	561	2

\* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

\*\* Interim reports

# Reports on references not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament



# Economics (Legislation)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	05.12.2016
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, NXT)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	12.09.2016–05.12.2016

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Anti-competitive conduct in the retail wine industry and ACCC's role	26.02.2016 (in accordance with Standing Order 25(2)(a))

### Report on references of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament	Report Tabled
Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament	11.10.2016

### Inquiries re-referred

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	No. 2 of 2016 tabled 12.10.2016	Ongoing

### New References

30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Budget Estimates 2016–17	01.09.2016 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 3–1 September 2016, p.111)	19–20 October 2016— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No
Budget Savings (Omnibus) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	01.09.2016 (SB)	Nil	14.09.2016	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Competition and Consumer Amendment (Country of Origin) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	15.09.2016 (SB)	Nil	10.10.2016	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Enterprise Tax Plan) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	15.09.2016 (SB)	Nil	10.10.2016	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Income Tax Relief) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	15.09.2016 (SB)	Nil	10.10.2016	No
Income Tax Rates Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions], Treasury Laws Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions], Superannuation (Departing Australia Superannuation Payments Tax) Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions] and Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]	13.10.2016 (SB)	26.10.2016–Canberra 31.10.2016–Cairns 02.11.2016–Launceston	Working Holiday Maker Reform package Tabled 09.11.2016	No
Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.11.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Treasury Laws Amendment (Fair and Sustainable Superannuation) Bill 2016 [Provisions] and Superannuation (Excess Transfer Balance Tax) Imposition Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.11.2016 (SB)	Nil	23.11.2016	No
Corporations Amendment (Crowd-sourced Funding) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	01.12.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Competition and Consumer Amendment (Misuse of Market Power) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	01.12.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
*30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*  
*OOS (Out of session)*

# Economics (References)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	05.12.2016
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, NXT)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	12.09.2016–05.12.2016

### **Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>
Future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry	25.06.2014
Scrutiny of financial advice	04.09.2014
Corporate tax avoidance	02.10.2014
Non-conforming building products	23.06.2015
Foreign bribery	24.06.2015
Personal choice and community impacts	25.06.2015
Development of the bauxite resources near Aurukun in Cape York	24.11.2015
Criminal, civil and administrative penalties for white collar crime	25.11.2015
Future of Australia's steel industry	26.11.2015
Carbon risk disclosure	02.02.2016
Causes and consequences of the collapse of listed retailers in Australia	04.02.2016

### **Report on references of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

*30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

<b>Report Tabled</b>
11.10.2016

Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

### Inquiries re-referred

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Carbon risk disclosure	11.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Corporate tax avoidance	11.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Criminal, civil and administrative penalties for white collar crime	11.10.2016	06.12.2016–Melbourne	Nil	Yes
Foreign bribery	11.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Future of Australia's steel industry	11.10.2016	Nil	Interim report tabled 01.12.2016	Yes
Non-conforming building products (see additional terms of reference 7 November 2016)	11.10.2016	Nil	Interim report presented OOS 18.10.2016 tabled 07.11.2016	Yes
Future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry (terms of reference updated 11 October 2016)	11.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Scrutiny of financial advice (terms of reference updated 11 October 2016)	11.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

### New References 30.08.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
2016 Census	31.08.2016	25.10.2016–Canberra	2016 Census: issues of trust tabled 24.11.2016	No
Dairy industry	14.09.2016	26.10.2016–Canberra 15.11.2016–Melbourne	Nil	Yes

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Australia's general insurance industry	22.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Consumer protection in the banking, insurance and financial sector	29.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Superannuation Guarantee non-payment	01.12.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
30.08.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Agribusiness managed investment schemes: Bitter harvest	29.11.2016	11 March 2016
Australia's Innovation System	Presented OOS 20.12.2016	3 December 2015

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)*



# **Education and Employment**

# Education and Employment

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Legislation	0	9	7 +1 <sup>^</sup>	1
References	0	2	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8 +1<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>2</b>

## Number and Hours of Meeting

Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	7	2	22:58	14	3:25	0	0:00	23	61:14
References	2	0	0:00	10	0:35	0	0:00	12	10:07
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22:58</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>4:00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0:00</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>71:21</b>

## Meetings By State

	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	16	1	6	0	0	0	0	0
References	10	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

## Witnesses

Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	149	133	0	463	0
References	0	0	42	652	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>1115</b>	<b>1</b>

\* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

<sup>^</sup> two references were discharged by one report

# Education and Employment (Legislation)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 15.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	01.09.2016
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP)	30.11.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	22.11.2016–23.11.2016
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	23.11.2016–30.11.2016
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	08.11.2016–22.11.2016
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016–08.11.2016
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <sup>4</sup>	13.09.2016–23.09.2016
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>5</sup>	14.09.2016–10.10.2016
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>6</sup>	10.10.2016–14.10.2016
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <sup>7</sup>	10.11.2016–28.11.2016
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG) <sup>8</sup>	15.09.2016–30.11.2016

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson from 13 September 2016 to 23 September 2016

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Fair Work Amendment (Respect for Emergency Services Volunteers) Bill 2016

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 and related bill

<sup>7</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Social Security Legislation Amendment (Youth Jobs Path: Prepare, Trial, Hire) Bill 2016

<sup>8</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>
Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015	15.10.2015 (SB)
Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Australian Workers) Bill 2016	17.03.2016 (SB)

### Inquiries re-referred

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	No. 2 of 2016 tabled 12.10.2016	Ongoing

### New References 30.08.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 [Provisions] and Building and Construction Industry (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [Provisions]	01.09.2016 (SB)	04.10.2016–Melbourne	Report presented OOS 14.10.2016; tabled 07.11.2016	No
Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [Provisions]	01.09.2016 (SB)	04.10.2016–Melbourne	Report presented OOS 14.10.2016; tabled 07.11.2016	No
Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015	01.09.2016 (SB)	27.10.2016–Melbourne	30.11.2016	No
Fair Work Amendment (Respect for Emergency Services Volunteers) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	01.09.2016 (SB)	19.09.2016–Macedon VIC 28.09.2016–Melbourne	10.10.2016	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Budget Estimates 2016–17	01.09.2016 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 3–1 September 2016, p.111)	19–20 October 2016— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No
Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Jobs for Families Child Care Package) Bill 2016 [Provisions] and Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	15.09.2016 (SB)	03.10.2016–Melbourne 04.10.2016–Melbourne	10.10.2016	No
VET Student Loans Bill 2016 [Provisions], VET Student Loans (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016 [Provisions] and VET Student Loans (Charges) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	13.10.2016 (SB)	25.10.2016–Melbourne	07.11.2016	No
Seafarers and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions], Seafarers Safety and Compensation Levies Bill 2016 [Provisions] and Seafarers Safety and Compensation Levies Collection Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.11.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Youth Jobs Path: Prepare, Trial, Hire) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.11.2016 (SB)	Nil	28.11.2016	No

**Government Responses**  
**30.08.2016–31.12.2016**

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*  
*OOS (Out of session)*

# Education and Employment (References)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25

## Current members

*Date of appointment*

Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)  
*(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)*

01.09.2016

Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)  
*(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)*

01.09.2016

Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)

22.11.2016

Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins (VIC, ALP)

01.09.2016

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)

01.09.2016

Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP)

01.09.2016

## Substitute member

*Date of appointment*

Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)<sup>1</sup>

07.11.2016

## Former members

*Term of appointment*

Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)

08.11.2016–22.11.2016

Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP)

01.09.2016–08.11.2016

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<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into corporate avoidance of the *Fair Work Act 2009*

## Inquiries from the end of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Nil

### New References

30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Impact of the Government's Workplace Bargaining Policy and approach to Commonwealth public sector bargaining	13.10.2016	11.11.2016–Canberra 15.11.2016–Townsville	Siege of attrition: the Government's APS bargaining policy report tabled 30.11.2016	No
Corporate avoidance of the <i>Fair Work Act 2009</i>	13.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

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### Government Responses

30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Inquiry Name	Response Tabled	Report Tabled
Feasibility of, and options for, creating a national long service standard, and the portability of long service and other entitlements	14.09.2016	25.02.2016

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)



## **Environment and Communications**

# Environment and Communications

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Legislation	0	6	3	3
References	0	9	3+(1#)+(1**)	6
Total	0	15	6	9

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	2	6:57	4	29:39	15	1:15	0	0:00	21	37:51
References	6	30:46	0	0:00	17	2:29	0	0:00	23	33:15
Total	8	37:43	4	29:39	32	3:44	0	0:00	44	71:06

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	20	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	18	0	2	1	2	0	0	0
Total	38	1	2	1	2	0	0	0

Witnesses						
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	6	89	16	0	83	0
References	6	0	0	79	143	1
Total	12	89	16	79	226	1

\* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

# Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament

\*\*Interim report

# Environment and Communications (Legislation)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 05.12.2016)</i>	05.12.2016
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 08.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Anthony Chisholm (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Jonathon Duniam (TAS, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <sup>1</sup> <i>(Chair 28.11.2016–28.11.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <i>(Chair 13.09.2016–05.12.2016)</i>	12.09.2016–05.12.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(Chair 01.09.2016–12.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) <sup>2</sup>	18.10.2016–18.10.2016
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <sup>3</sup>	25.11.2016–25.11.2016
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP) <sup>4</sup>	18.11.2016–18.11.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <sup>5</sup>	18.11.2016–18.11.2016
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <sup>6</sup> <i>(Acting Deputy Chair on 18.10.2016)</i>	18.10.2016–18.10.2016

<sup>1</sup> Inquiry into the Interactive Gambling Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Waters on 18 October 2016

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Hume for the consideration of the 2016-17 Supplementary Budget Estimates on 25 November 2016

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Urquhart on 18 November 2016

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Hume for the consideration of the 2016-17 Supplementary Budget estimates on 18 November 2016

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Ludlam on 18 October 2016

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015	26.11.2015 (SB)
Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015	03.12.2015 (SB)

### Inquiries re-referred

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>30.08.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	No. 2 of 2016 tabled 12.10.2016	Ongoing

### New References *30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>30.08.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015	01.09.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	01.09.2016 (SB)	24.10.2016–Sydney	07.11.2016	No
Budget Estimates 2016–17	01.09.2016 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 3–1 September 2016, p.111)	17–18 October, 21 October and 25 November 2016—Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No
Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015	15.09.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2016	13.10.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Interactive Gambling Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.11.2016 (SB)	28.11.2016–Canberra	30.11.2016	No

### **Government Responses**

**30.08.2016–31.12.2016**

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)*

# Environment and Communications (References)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 08.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 05.12.2016)</i>	05.12.2016
Senator Anthony Chisholm (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Jonathon Duniam (TAS, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Substitute members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (AG, SA) <sup>1</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 13.10.2016)</i>	10.10.2016
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) <sup>2</sup>	08.11.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <i>(Chair 15.09.2016–05.12.2016)</i>	12.09.2016–05.12.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 08.09.2016–12.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <sup>3</sup>	16.11.2016–16.11.2016
Senator David Fawcett (LP, SA) <sup>4</sup> <i>(Deputy Chair on 16.11.2016)</i>	16.11.2016–16.11.2016
Senator Nick McKim (AG, TAS) <sup>5</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 13.10.2016)</i>	10.10.2016–08.12.2016
Senator Nick McKim (AG, TAS) <sup>6</sup> <i>(Chair on 01.11.2016)</i>	01.11.2016–01.11.2016

<sup>1</sup> Replaces Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight

<sup>2</sup> Replaces Senator Dastyari for the committee's inquiry into oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the committee's inquiry into oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight on 16 November 2016

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Bushby for the committee's inquiry into oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight on 16 November 2016

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into recent bushfires in remote Tasmanian wilderness

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into large-capacity fishing vessels on 1 November 2016

### **Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>
Environmental, social and economic impacts of large-capacity fishing vessels commonly known as 'Supertrawlers' operating in Australia's marine jurisdiction	07.09.2015
Harm being done to Australian children through access to pornography on the internet	02.12.2015
Risks and opportunities associated with the use of the bumblebee population in Tasmania for commercial pollination purposes	02.02.2016
Oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight	22.02.2016
Response to, and lessons learnt from, recent bushfires in remote Tasmanian wilderness	17.03.2016

### **Report on references of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

*30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

<b>Report Tabled</b>
13.09.2016

### **Inquiries re-referred**

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>30.08.2016–31.12.2016</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Environmental, social and economic impacts of large-capacity fishing vessels commonly known as 'Supertrawlers' operating in Australia's marine jurisdiction	13.09.2016	01.11.2016–Canberra	Factory freezer trawlers in the Commonwealth Small Pelagic Fishery tabled 23.11.2016	No
Harm being done to Australian children through access to pornography on the internet	13.09.2016	Nil	23.11.2016	No
Oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight	13.09.2016	16.11.2016–Adelaide	Nil	Yes

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Response to, and lessons learnt from, the January and February 2016 bushfires in remote Tasmanian wilderness	13.09.2016	01.11.2016–Canberra 02.11.2016–Launceston	Presented OOS 08.12.2016	No
Risks and opportunities associated with the use of the bumblebee population in Tasmania for commercial pollination purposes	13.09.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**New References**  
30.08.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Current and future impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity	14.09.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Retirement of coal fired power stations	13.10.2016	09.11.2016–Canberra 17.11.2016–Melbourne	Interim report tabled 28.11.2016	Yes
Protection of Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula	30.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Shark mitigation and deterrent measures	30.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
30.08.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Stormwater management in Australia	10.10.2016	02.12.2015

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# **Finance and Public Administration**

# Finance and Public Administration

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Legislation	0	1	1	0
References	0	5	3 +(1#)	2
Total	0	6	4	2

## Number and Hours of Meeting

Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	0:00	3	26:12	8	0:15	0	0:00	11	26:27
References	1:17	0	0:00	11	0:40	0	0:00	12	1:57
Total	1:17	3	26:12	19	0:55	0	0:00	23	28:24

## Meetings By State

ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Witnesses

Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	227	0	0	0	0
References	0	0	9	15	1
Total	227	0	9	15	1

\* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

# Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament

# Finance and Public Administration (Legislation)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 05.12.2016)</i>	05.12.2016
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	08.11.2016
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.09.2016
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	13.09.2016
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP) <i>(Chair 01.09.2016-12.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	01.09.2016–08.11.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(Chair 13.09.2016–05.12.2016)</i>	12.09.2016–05.12.2016
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	01.09.2016–13.09.2016

## Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2016	03.03.2016 (SB)

## Inquiries re-referred

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>30.08.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	No. 2 of 2016 tabled 12.10.2016	Ongoing

## New References *30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>30.08.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Budget Estimates 2016-17	01.09.2016 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 3–1 September 2016, p.111)	17–18 October and 21 October 2016— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No

## Government Responses

*30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)*

# Finance and Public Administration (References)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 05.12.2016)</i>	05.12.2016
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	08.11.2016
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.09.2016
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	13.09.2016
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 01.09.2016-12.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	01.09.2016–08.11.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 13.09.2016–05.12.2016)</i>	01.09.2016–05.12.2016
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	01.09.2016–13.09.2016
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <sup>1</sup>	13.10.2016–28.11.2016
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP) <sup>2</sup>	15.09.2016–02.12.2016

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into Commonwealth funding of Indigenous Tasmanians

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Singh from 15 September 2016 to 2 December 2016

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Access to legal assistance services	04.03.2015
Domestic violence and gender inequality	25.11.2015
Commonwealth paper procurement procedures	02.02.2016

### Report on references of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament 30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Report Tabled
Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament
15.09.2016

### Inquiries re-referred

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Access to legal assistance services	15.09.2016	Nil	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services tabled 13.10.2016	No
Domestic violence and gender inequality	15.09.2016	Nil	08.11.2016	No

**New References**  
**30.08.2016–31.12.2016**

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Commonwealth funding of Indigenous Tasmanians	12.10.2016	16.11.2016–Sydney	28.11.2016	No
Gender segregation in the workplace and its impact on women's economic equality	09.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Operation of the Administrative Arrangements Order	01.12.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
**30.08.2016–31.12.2016**

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Commonwealth Indigenous Advancement Strategy tendering processes	Presented OOS 19.10.2016 and tabled 07.11.2016	17.03.2016

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)*





**Foreign Affairs, Defence  
and Trade**

## Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Legislation	0	4	2	2
References	0	6	1 +(1#)	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>

### Number and Hours of Meeting

	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	0	0:00	2	22:08	7	0:31	0	0:00	9	22:39
References	2	11:16	0	0:00	7	2:28	0	0:00	9	13:44
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11:16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22:08</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2:59</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0:00</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>36:23</b>

### Meetings By State

	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### Witnesses

	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	2	88	0	0	9	1
References	2	0	0	29	447	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>5</b>

\* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

# Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament

# Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Legislation)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	01.09.2016
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016

## Inquiries from the end of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Nil

## Inquiries re-referred

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	No. 2 of 2016 tabled 12.10.2016	Ongoing

## New References

30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Budget Estimates 2016–17	01.09.2016 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 3–1 September 2016, p.111)	19–20 October 2016— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No
Civil Nuclear Transfers to India Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.11.2016 (SB)	Nil	24.11.2016	No
Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment (Support for Commonwealth Entities) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	24.11.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Digital Readiness and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	01.12.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

## **Government Responses**

*30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Defence Legislation Amendment (Military Justice Enhancements–Inspector-General ADF) Bill 2014	01.09.2016	03.03.2015

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*

# Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (References)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	08.11.2016
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	01.09.2016
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Substitute members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) <sup>1</sup>	13.10.2016
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <sup>2</sup>	10.11.2016
<b>Former member</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016–08.11.2016

<sup>1</sup> Replaces Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreement

<sup>2</sup> Replaces Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into suicide by veterans and ex-service personnel

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Planned acquisition of the F-35 Lightning II (Joint Strike Fighter)	02.12.2015
Operations of Defence Housing Australia	02.12.2015
Australian Defence Force's resistance to interrogation training	29.02.2016

### Report on references of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament 30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Report Tabled
Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament
13.09.2016

### Inquiries re-referred

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Planned acquisition of the F-35 Lightning II (Joint Strike Fighter)	13.09.2016	Nil	13.10.2016	No

### New References 30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Suicide by veterans and ex-service personnel	01.09.2016	17.11.2016–Adelaide 18.11.2016–Canberra	Nil	Yes
Proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreement	15.09.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Department of Defence's management of credit and other transaction cards	10.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Operation of the Australian Defence Force's resistance to interrogation training	10.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Matters raised by the NSW Police Strike Force CIVET	01.12.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
30.08.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Mental health of Australian Defence Force members and veterans	15.09.2016	17.03.2016
Delivery and effectiveness of Australia's bilateral aid program in Papua New Guinea	08.11.2016	04.05.2016
Capability of Defence's physical science and engineering workforce	08.11.2016	01.04.2016
Australia's relationship with Mexico	30.11.2016	02.12.2015

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)*



## **Legal and Constitutional Affairs**

## Legal and Constitutional Affairs

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Legislation	0	9	6	3
References	0	3	1	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	2	9:06	3	30:08	14	2:57	0	0:00	19	42:11
References	5	18:20	0	0:00	20	5:26	0	0:00	25	23:46
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>27:26</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>30:08</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8:23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0:00</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>65:57</b>

Meetings By State										
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD		
Legislation	18	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	24	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Witnesses					
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Legislation	5	311	30	0	1
References	5	0	0	41	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>3</b>

\* includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

# Legal and Constitutional Affairs (Legislation)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Nick McKim (TAS, AG)	01.09.2016
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Customs and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]	17.03.2016 (SB)
Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	17.03.2016 (SB)

### Inquiries re-referred

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	No. 2 of 2016 tabled 12.10.2016	Ongoing

### New References 30.08.2016–31.12.2016

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016
Budget Estimates 2016-17	01.09.2016 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 3–1 September 2016, p.111)	17–18 October and 12 December 2016— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No
Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	15.09.2016 (SB)	05.10.2016–Canberra	10.10.2016	No
Australian Crime Commission Amendment (Criminology Research) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	13.10.2016 (SB)	Nil	09.11.2016	No
Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2016	13.10.2016 (SB)	Nil	07.11.2016	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Migration Amendment (Visa Revalidation and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.11.2016 (SB)	Nil	28.11.2016	No
Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.11.2016 (SB)	15.11.2016–Melbourne	22.11.2016	No
Privacy Amendment (Re-identification Offence) Bill 2016	10.11.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Crimes Legislation Amendment (International Crime Cooperation and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	01.12.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Migration Legislation Amendment (Code of Procedure Harmonisation) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	01.12.2016 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
30.08.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Exposure draft of the Medical Services (Dying with Dignity) Bill 2014	23.11.2016	10.11.2014

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)*

# Legal and Constitutional Affairs (References)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 14.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 14.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Patrick Dodson (WA, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Nick McKim (TAS, AG)	01.09.2016
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016

## Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Payment of cash or other inducements by the Commonwealth of Australia in exchange for the turn back of asylum seeker boats	24.06.2015
Conditions and treatment of asylum seekers and refugees at the regional processing centres in the Republic of Nauru and Papua New Guinea	12.10.2015
Need for a nationally-consistent approach to alcohol-fuelled violence	03.02.2016

## New References

*30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>30.08.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Serious allegations of abuse, self-harm and neglect of asylum seekers in relation to the Nauru Regional Processing Centre, and any like allegations in relation to the Manus Regional Processing Centre	12.09.2016	11.11.2016–Canberra 15.11.2016–Melbourne	Nil	Yes
Nature and scope of consultations prior to the making of the Legal Services Amendment (Solicitor-General Opinions) Direction 2016	15.09.2016	05.10.2016–Canberra 14.10.2016–Canberra	08.11.2016	No
Nature and scope of any agreement reached by the Commonwealth and WA governments in relation to the distribution of proceeds of the liquidation of and litigation concerning the Bell Group of companies	29.11.2016	07.12.2016–Canberra	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
*30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Handling of a letter sent by Mr Man Haron Monis to the Attorney-General	01.09.2016	16.09.2015
Use of smoke alarms to prevent smoke and fire related deaths	13.10.2016	20.04.2016

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
 OOS (Out of session)*



**Rural & Regional Affairs  
and Transport**

# Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Legislation	0	1	1	0
References	0	7	1+(1#)	6
Total	0	8	2	6

## Number and Hours of Meeting

Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	0	3	27:13	9	3:17	0	0:00	12	30:30
References	2	0	0:00	10	2:07	0	0:00	12	6:00
Total	2	3	27:13	19	5:24	0	0:00	24	36:30

## Meetings By State

ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Witnesses

Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	102	0	0	0	1
References	0	0	10	82	3
Total	102	0	10	82	4

\* includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

# Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament

# Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport (Legislation)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Barry O'Sullivan (QLD, NATS) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Malarndirri McCarthy (NT, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG)	01.09.2016

## Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Performance of Airservices Australia	20.10.2014 (in accordance with Standing Order 25(2)(a))

## Inquiries re-referred

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>30.08.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	No. 2 of 2016 tabled 12.10.2016	Ongoing

## New References *30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>30.08.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Budget Estimates 2016-17	01.09.2016 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 3-1 September 2016, p.111)	17-18 October and 22 November 2016— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No

## Government Responses *30.08.2016–31.12.2016*

Inquiry Name	Response Tabled	Report Tabled
Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]	30.11.2016	22.04.2016

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)*

# Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport (References)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Barry O'Sullivan (QLD, NATS) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Anthony Chisholm (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Malarndirri McCarthy (NT, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG)	01.09.2016

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>
Aspects of road safety in Australia	30.10.2014
Airport and aviation security	04.12.2014
Future role and contribution of regional capital in Australia	11.02.2015
Effect of market consolidation on the red meat processing sector	18.03.2015
Increasing use of so-called Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia	18.06.2015
Australia's rail industry	16.03.2016

### Report on references of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament 30.08.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Report Tabled</b>
Report on references not disposed of at the end of the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament
15.09.2016

### Inquiries re-referred

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Airport and aviation security	15.09.2016	24.11.2016–Canberra	Nil	Yes
Effect of market consolidation on the red meat processing sector	15.09.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Australia's rail industry	15.09.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Aspects of road safety in Australia	15.09.2016	10.11.2016–Canberra	Nil	Yes
Future role and contribution of regional capital in Australia	15.09.2016	Nil	Final report tabled 24.11.2016	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Increasing use of so-called Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia	15.09.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**New References**  
30.08.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 30.08.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Regulatory requirements that impact on the safe use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems, Unmanned Aerial Systems and associated systems	13.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
30.08.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Implications of the restriction on the use of fenthion on Australia's horticultural industry	10.10.2016 (presented OOS 05.10.2016)	31.07.2014
Australia's transport energy resilience and sustainability	10.11.2016	25.06.2015
Practice of sports science in Australia	30.11.2016	23.07.2013

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)





**Joint Committees  
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30 August 2016–31 December 2016**



**Australian Commission for Law  
Enforcement Integrity  
(Joint Statutory)**

# Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Joint Statutory	0	2	0	2

Number and Hours of Meeting								
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Statutory	0	0:00	0	0:00	7	2:35	7	2:35

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Statutory	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses				
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	Government Responses
Joint Statutory	0	0	0	0

# Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (Joint Statutory)

*12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to the *Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006*; appointed 12 September 2016

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <i>(elected Chair on 15.09.2016)</i>	12.09.2016
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 15.09.2016)</i>	12.09.2016
Mr Scott Buchholz MP (Wright, QLD, LP)	14.09.2016
The Hon Justine Elliot MP (Richmond, NSW, ALP)	15.09.2016
Mr Llew O'Brien MP (Wide Bay, QLD, NATS)	14.09.2016
Senator Barry O'Sullivan (QLD, NATS)	12.09.2016
The Hon Stuart Robert MP (Fadden, QLD, LP)	14.09.2016
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP)	12.09.2016
Mr Tony Zappia MP (Makin, SA, ALP)	15.09.2016

## Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Performance of statutory duties	Ongoing
Integrity of Australia's border arrangements	05.03.2015 (agreed to by the committee)

### Inquiries

*As at 12.09.2016*

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Performance of statutory duties	Ongoing	Nil	Nil	Ongoing

### Inquiries re-referred

*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Integrity of Australia's border arrangements	11.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

### New Inquiries

*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

### Government Responses

*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Corporations and Financial Services  
(Joint Statutory)**

# Corporations & Financial Services

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Joint Statutory	0	4	0	4

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Statutory	1	3:12	0	0:00	4	1:47	0	0:00	5	4:59

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Statutory	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses					
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Joint Statutory	1	0	0	11	161
					0



# Corporations and Financial Services (Joint Statutory)

*12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016*

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to the <i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission Act 2001</i> ; appointed 12 September 2016	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Mr Steve Irons MP (Swan, WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 27.09.2016)</i>	14.09.2016
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 27.09.2016)</i>	12.09.2016
Ms Terri Butler MP (Griffith, QLD, ALP)	15.09.2016
Mr Jason Falinski MP (Mackellar, NSW, LP)	14.09.2016
Mr Matt Keogh MP (Burt, WA, ALP)	15.09.2016
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP)	12.09.2016
Mr Bert van Manen MP (Forde, QLD, LP)	14.09.2016
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	13.09.2016
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	12.09.2016
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, NXT)	30.11.2016
<b>Former member</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP)	12.09.2016–30.11.2016

## Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Oversight of the operations of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission	Ongoing
Examination of annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act	Ongoing

### Inquiries

*As at 12.09.2016*

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Oversight of the operations of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission	Ongoing	25.11.2016–Sydney	Nil	Ongoing
Examination of annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act	Ongoing	Nil	Nil	Ongoing

### New References

*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Life insurance industry	14.09.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Whistleblower protections	30.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

### Government Responses

*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Law Enforcement  
(Joint Statutory)**

## Law Enforcement

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Joint Statutory	0	4	0	4

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Statutory	1	1:11	0	0:00	2	0:17	0	0:00	3	1:28

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Statutory	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses						
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Joint Statutory	1	0	0	11	0	0

# Law Enforcement (Joint Statutory)

12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to the <i>Parliamentary Joint Committee on Law Enforcement Act 2010</i> ; appointed 12 September 2016	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Mr Craig Kelly MP (Hughes, NSW, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 19.09.2016)</i>	14.09.2016
Mr Chris Hayes MP (Fowler, NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 19.09.2016)</i>	15.09.2016
Dr Anne Aly MP (Cowan, WA, ALP)	15.09.2016
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	12.09.2016
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	23.11.2016
Mr Llew O'Brien MP (Wide Bay, QLD, NATS)	14.09.2016
Senator Barry O'Sullivan (QLD, NATS)	12.09.2016
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.12.2016
Mr Jason Wood MP (La Trobe, VIC, LP)	14.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	12.09.2016–23.11.2016
Senator Malarndirri McCarthy (NT, ALP)	15.09.2016–01.12.2016
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	12.09.2016–15.09.2016

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>
Performance of statutory duties	Ongoing
Crystal methamphetamine (ice)	18.03.2015 (agreed to by the committee)
Illicit tobacco	02.12.2015 (agreed to by the committee)
Human trafficking	02.12.2015 (agreed to by the committee)

### Inquiries

*As at 12.09.2016*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 12.09.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Performance of statutory duties	Ongoing	Nil	Nil	Ongoing

### Inquiries re-referred

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 12.09.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Illicit tobacco	12.10.2016 (re-adopted by the committee)	23.11.2016–Canberra	Nil	Yes
Crystal methamphetamine (ice)	12.10.2016 (re-adopted by the committee)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Human trafficking	12.10.2016 (re-adopted by the committee)	Nil	Nil	Yes

**New References**  
*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

**Government Responses**  
*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*





**National Broadband Network  
(Joint Standing)**

# National Broadband Network

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Joint Standing	0	1	0	1

## Number and Hours of Meeting

	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Standing	0	0:00	0	0:00	4	2:03	0	0:00	4	2:03

## Meetings By State

	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Standing	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Witnesses

	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Joint Standing	0	0	0	0	0	0

# National Broadband Network (Joint Standing)

*14 September 2016 to 31 December 2016*

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to a resolution of the House of Representatives of 12 September 2016, agreed to by the Senate on 14 September 2016	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Mrs Lucy Wicks MP (Robertson, NSW, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 13.10.2016)</i>	14.09.2016
Mr Josh Wilson MP (Fremantle, WA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 13.10.2016)</i>	10.10.2016
Mr Andrew Broad MP (Mallee, VIC, NATS)	14.09.2016
Ms Gai Brodtmann MP (Canberra, ACT, ALP)	10.10.2016
Senator Stirling Griff (SA, NXT)	11.10.2016
Senator Pauline Hanson (QLD, PHON)	11.10.2016
Mr Luke Howarth MP (Petrie, QLD, LP)	14.09.2016
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP)	15.09.2016
Mr Stephen Jones MP (Whitlam, NSW, ALP)	30.11.2016
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP)	15.09.2016
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	15.09.2016
Ms Cathy McGowan MP (Indi, VIC, IND)	10.10.2016
Mr Brian Mitchell MP (Lyons, TAS, ALP)	10.10.2016
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP)	15.09.2016
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	15.09.2016
Mr Michael Sukkar MP (Deakin, VIC, LP)	14.09.2016
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	15.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Ms Michelle Rowland MP (Greenway, NSW, ALP)	10.10.2016–30.11.2016
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	15.09.2016–11.10.2016

**New References**  
*14.09.2016–31.12.2016*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 14.09.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Inquire into and report on the rollout of the National Broadband Network	14.09.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
*14.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**National Disability Insurance Scheme  
(Joint Standing)**

# National Disability Insurance Scheme

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Joint Standing	0	3	0	3

## Number and Hours of Meeting

	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Standing	0	0:00	0	0:00	5	4:02	0	0:00	5	4:02

## Meetings By State

	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Standing	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Witnesses

	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Joint Standing	0	0	0	0	1	0

# National Disability Insurance Scheme (Joint Standing)

*12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016*

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to a resolution of the House of Representatives of 1 September 2016, agreed to by the Senate on 12 September 2016	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
The Hon Kevin Andrews MP (Menzies, VIC, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 15.09.2016)</i>	14.09.2016
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 12.10.2016)</i>	15.09.2016
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	11.10.2016
Senator Jonathon Duniham (TAS, LP)	12.09.2016
Mr Andrew Wallace MP (Fisher, QLD, LP)	09.11.2016
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP)	12.09.2016
Ms Emma Husar MP (Lindsay, NSW, ALP)	15.09.2016
The Hon Jenny Macklin MP (Jagajaga, VIC, ALP)	15.09.2016
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	12.09.2016
Mrs Ann Sudmalis MP (Gilmore, NSW, LP)	14.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Katy Gallagher (ACT, ALP)	12.09.2016–15.09.2016
Ms Sarah Henderson MP (Corangamite, VIC, LP)	14.09.2016–09.11.2016
Senator Malarndirri McCarthy (NT, ALP)	12.09.2016–11.10.2016

### Inquiries that lapsed at the dissolution of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament

Inquiry Name	Date Referred
Review of the implementation, administration and expenditure of the National Disability Insurance Scheme; and review of any matter relating to the scheme referred to it by either House of the Parliament	02.12.2013

### New References 12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings 12.09.2016–31.12.2016	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Review of the implementation, administration and expenditure of the National Disability Insurance Scheme; and review of any matter relating to the scheme referred to it by either House of the Parliament	12.09.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Provision of hearing services under the NDIS	30.11.2016 (Adopted by committee)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Provision of services under the NDIS for people with psychosocial disabilities related to a mental health condition	30.11.2016 (Adopted by committee)	Nil	Nil	Yes

### Government Responses 12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*



**Select Committees  
administered by the  
Senate Committee Office  
30 August 2016–31 December 2016**



**Exposure Draft of the Marriage  
Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill**

# Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Select Committee	0	1	0	1

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	0	0	0:00	1	0:46	0	0:00	1	0:46

Meetings By State						
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	QLD
Select Committee	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses				
Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses ^
Select Committee	0	0	0	34

^ submission total does not include 118 form letters received by Committee

# Select Committee on the Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill

30 November 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 30 November 2016

Current members	Date of appointment
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 06.12.2016)</i>	01.12.2016
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 06.12.2016)</i>	01.12.2016
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	01.12.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP)	01.12.2016
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	01.12.2016
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	01.12.2016

**New References**  
30.11.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> 30.11.2016–31.12.2016	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> As at 31.12.2016
The Commonwealth Government's exposure draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill	30.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
30.11.2016–31.12.2016

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Funding for Research into Cancers  
with Low Survival Rates**

# Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Select Committee	0	1	0	1

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	0	0	0:00	1	0:07	0	0:00	1	0:07

Meetings By State						
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	QLD
Select Committee	1	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses				
Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	0	0	0	0



# Select Committee on Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates

*29 November 2016 to 31 December 2016*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 29 November 2016

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 05.12.2016)</i>	30.11.2016
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 05.12.2016)</i>	01.12.2016
Senator Brian Burston (NSW, PHON)	01.12.2016
Senator Stirling Griff (SA, NXT)	01.12.2016
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, ALP)	01.12.2016
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP)	30.11.2016
Senator Malarndirri McCarthy (NT, ALP)	30.11.2016
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	01.12.2016

**New References**  
29.11.2016–31.12.2016

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 29.11.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Impact of health research funding models on the availability of funding for research into cancers with low survival rates	29.11.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
29.11.2016–31.12.2016

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Red Tape**

# Red Tape

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Select Committee	0	1	0	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	0	0:00	0	0:00	2	0:30	0	0:00	2	0:30

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses					
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	0	0	0	0	0

# Red Tape Committee

11 October 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 11 October 2016

Current members	Date of appointment
Senator David Leyonhjelm (NSW, LDP) <i>(elected Chair on 24.11.2016)</i>	09.11.2016
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 24.11.2016)</i>	10.11.2016
Senator Brian Burston (NSW, PHON)	09.11.2016
Senator Derryn Hinch (VIC, DHJP)	09.11.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP)	24.11.2016
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	24.11.2016

**New References**  
*11.10.2016–31.12.2016*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>11.10.2016–31.12.2016</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 31.12.2016</i>
Effect of restrictions and prohibitions on business (red tape) on the economy and community	11.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
*11.10.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure  
in a Warming World**

# Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World

1 July 2016 - 31 December 2016

	Matters current as at 1 July 2016	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2016
Select Committee	0	1	0	1

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	0	0	0:00	2	0:12	0	0:00	2	0:12

Meetings By State						
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	QLD
Select Committee	2	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses				
Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	0	0	1	0



# Select Committee into the Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World

*12 October 2016 to 31 December 2016*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 12 October 2016

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 28.11.2016)</i>	13.10.2016
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 28.11.2016)</i>	10.11.2016
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	24.11.2016
Senator Jonathon Duniam (TAS, LP)	24.11.2016
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	22.11.2016
Senator Malcom Roberts (QLD, PHON)	13.10.2016
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	10.11.2016

**New References**  
*12.10.2016–31.12.2016*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 12.10.2016–31.12.2016</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2016</b>
Role of storage technologies and localised, distributed generation to provide Australia's electricity networks with the resilience to withstand the increasing severity and frequency of extreme weather events driven by global warming	12.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
*12.10.2016–31.12.2016*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

## **Other Committees**

**30 August 2016–31 December 2016**



# Regulations and Ordinances (Legislative Scrutiny Standing)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 23

## Current members

Senator John Williams (Chair), Senator Gavin Marshall (Deputy Chair), Senator Anthony Chisholm, Senator Jane Hume, Senator Linda Reynolds and Senator the Hon Lisa Singh

## Former members

Senator Claire Moore

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## Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises each disallowable instrument of delegated legislation to ensure:

- that it is in accordance with the statute;
- that it does not trespass unduly on personal rights and liberties;
- that it does not unduly make the rights and liberties of citizens dependent upon administrative decisions which are not subject to review of their merits by a judicial or other independent tribunal; and
- that it does not contain matter more appropriate for parliamentary enactment.

<b>Reports presented</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	0
<b>Delegated legislation monitors tabled</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	5
<b>Meetings</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	6
<b>No. of instruments scrutinised</b>	609
<b>Notices of motion to disallow</b>	11
<b>Notices withdrawn</b>	1
<b>Notices pending</b>	10

# Scrutiny of Bills (Legislative Scrutiny Standing)

*30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24

## Current members

Senator Helen Polley (Chair), Senator John Williams (Deputy Chair), Senator Cory Bernardi, Senator Jonathon Duniham, Senator Janet Rice and Senator Murray Watt

## Former members

Senator Jane Hume

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## Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises bills and Acts of Parliament and reports to the Senate whether such bills or Acts, by express words or otherwise:

- trespass unduly on personal rights and liberties;
- make rights, liberties or obligations unduly dependent upon insufficiently defined administrative powers;
- make rights, liberties or obligations unduly dependent upon non-reviewable decisions;
- inappropriately delegate legislative powers; or
- insufficiently subject the exercise of legislative power to parliamentary scrutiny.

### Alert digests tabled *12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

No. 6 of 2016 (tabled 14.9.2016)  
No. 7 of 2016 (tabled 12.10.2016)  
No. 8 of 2016 (tabled 9.11.2016)  
No. 9 of 2016 (tabled 23.11.2016)  
No. 10 of 2016 (tabled 30.11.2016)

### Reports presented *12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Sixth Report of 2016 (tabled 14.9.2016)  
Seventh Report of 2016 (tabled 12.10.2016)  
Eighth Report of 2016 (tabled 9.11.2016)  
Ninth Report of 2016 (tabled 23.11.2016)  
Tenth Report of 2016 (tabled 30.11.2016)

### Meetings

*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Private:	6
Briefings:	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>6</b>

# Appropriations, Staffing and Security (Standing)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 19

## Current members

The President (Senator the Hon Stephen Parry) (Chair), the Deputy President (Senator Sue Lines) (Deputy Chair), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon George Brandis), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator the Hon Penny Wong), Senator Chris Back, Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins, Senator David Fawcett, Senator the Hon Mitch Fifield and Senator Katy Gallagher

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## Role of the Committee

The Standing Committee on Appropriations, Staffing and Security determines the amounts for inclusion in the parliamentary appropriation bills and reports to the Senate on its determinations prior to the Senate's consideration of those bills. The committee also examines matters affecting the staffing and administration of the Department of the Senate, including proposals to vary the staffing structure, and other matters referred to it by the Senate. It makes an annual report to the Senate on the operations of the Senate's appropriations and staffing and related matters (Standing Order 19(3)). The committee has the explicit capacity to scrutinise security funding and administration and to advise the President and the Senate as appropriate. Under a resolution of the Senate agreed to in 1987 the committee also examines proposed changes in the structure and responsibilities of the parliamentary departments.

### Reports presented

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

1

### Meetings

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Private:

1

Briefings:

0

**Total:**

1

# **Chairs' (Standing)**

*30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016*

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## **Method of appointment**

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25(10)

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## **Current members**

The Deputy President (Senator Sue Lines) (Chair), Senator Chris Back, Senator Cory Bernardi, Senator Catryna Bilyk, Senator Jonathon Duniam, Senator David Fawcett, Senator Alex Gallacher, Senator Sarah Hanson-Young, Senator Jane Hume, Senator Chris Ketter, Senator David Leyonhjelm, Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald, Senator Gavin Marshall, Senator Jenny McAllister, Senator Bridget McKenzie, Senator Nick McKim, Senator Barry O'Sullivan, Senator James Paterson, Senator Louise Pratt, Senator Rachel Siewert, Senator Glenn Sterle and Senator Larissa Waters

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## **Former members**

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## **Meetings**

*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Private:	1
Briefings:	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>1</b>



# House (Standing)

*30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016*

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**Method of appointment**

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Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 21

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**Current members**

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The President (Senator the Hon Stephen Parry) (Chair), the Deputy President (Senator Sue Lines), Senator Carol Brown, Senator David Bushby, Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins, Senator David Fawcett and Senator Anne Urquhart

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**Meetings**

*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Private:	1
Briefings:	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>1</b>

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# Privileges (Standing)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 18

## Current members

Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins (Chair), Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (Deputy Chair), Senator the Hon Eric Abetz, Senator Scott Ludlam, Senator Gavin Marshall, Senator Bridget McKenzie, Senator the Hon Lisa Singh and Senator Dean Smith

## Former members

Senator Anne Urquhart

## Secretary

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## New references

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Disposition of documents seized under search warrants  
Parliamentary Privilege and the use of intrusive powers  
Possible interference in execution of search warrants

## Reports presented

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

163rd report—status of material seized under warrant—  
preliminary report – tabled December 2016

## Meetings

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Private:	5
Briefings:	1
<b>Total:</b>	<b>6</b>

# Procedure (Standing)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 17

## Current members

The Deputy President (Senator Sue Lines) (Chair), the President (Senator the Hon Stephen Parry), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon George Brandis), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator the Hon Penny Wong), Senator Catryna Bilyk, Senator David Bushby, Senator the Hon Mitch Fifield, Senator Katy Gallagher, Senator Rachel Siewert and Senator Dean Smith

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Senator Anne Urquhart

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<b>Inquiries</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	3
<b>Reports presented</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	First report of 2016 – tabled October 2016
<b>Meetings</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Private: 1 Briefings: Nil <b>Total:</b> 1

# Publications (Standing)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22

## Current members

Senator Linda Reynolds (Chair), Senator Gavin Marshall (Deputy Chair), Senator Chris Back, Senator Jonathon Duniam, Senator the Hon Don Farrell, Senator Jane Hume and Senator Kimberley Kitching

## Secretary

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## Reports presented

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

1st report (tabled 13.10.2016)

2nd report (tabled 10.11.2016)

3rd report tabled (01.12.2016)

## Meetings

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Private: 4

Briefings: 0

**Total:** 4

*\* Three meetings were held as a joint committee with a similar committee of the House of Representatives. The Senate Publications Committee met on one occasion.*

# Selection of Bills (Standing)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24A

## Current members

The Government Whip (Senator David Bushby) (Chair), the Opposition Whip (Senator Anne Urquhart), the Nationals Whip (Senator John Williams), the Australian Greens Whip (Senator Rachel Siewert), Derryn Hinch's Justice Party Whip (Senator Derryn Hinch), Pauline Hanson's One Nation Whip (Senator Brian Burston), Nick Xenophon Team Whip (Senator Skye Kakoschke-Moore), Senator Catryna Bilyk, Senator David Fawcett, Senator the Hon Mitch Fifield and Senator Katy Gallagher

## Former members

Nil

## Secretary

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## Reports presented

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

5

## Meetings

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Private: 5

Briefings: 0

**Total:** 5

# Senators' Interests (Standing)

30 August 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22A

## Current members

Senator Catryna Bilyk (Chair), Senator David Bushby (Deputy Chair), Senator Cory Bernardi, Senator Sue Lines, Senator Gavin Marshall, Senator Bridget McKenzie, Senator Deborah O'Neill, Senator Lee Rhiannon

## Former members

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz

## Secretary

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## Register of Senators' Interests

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Statements of Registrable Interests and notifications of alterations lodged between 2 December 2015 and 9 May 2016  
Statements of Registrable Interests and notifications of alterations lodged between 30 August 2016 and 7 October 2016 (2 Volumes)

## Meetings

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Private:	2
Briefings:	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>2</b>

# Electoral Matters (Joint)

*12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 1 September 2016 and agreed to by the Senate on 12 September 2016

## Current members

Senator Linda Reynolds (Chair), Mr Andrew Giles MP (Deputy Chair), Mr Scott Buchholz MP, Mr Milton Dick MP, Senator Chris Ketter, Mr Ben Morton MP, Senator Barry O'Sullivan, Senator Lee Rhiannon, Senator the Hon Lisa Singh and Mrs Lucy Wicks MP

## Former members

Senator Carol Brown

## Secretary

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<b>Current inquiries</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Inquiry into and report on all aspects of the conduct of the 2016 Federal Election and matters related thereto	
<b>Reports presented</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Interim Report on the authorisation of voter communication Tabled out of session 9 December 2016	
<b>Government responses</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil	
<b>Meetings</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Private:	8
	Public hearings:	9
	<b>Total:</b>	17

# Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Joint)

12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 1 September 2016 and agreed to by the Senate on 12 September 2016

## Current members

Senator David Fawcett (Chair), Mr Nick Champion MP (Deputy Chair), Dr Anne Aly MP, the Hon Kevin Andrews MP, Senator Chris Back, Senator Anthony Chisholm, Ms Sharon Claydon MP, Mr Chris Crewther MP, the Hon Damian Drum MP, the Hon David Feeney MP, Senator Alex Gallacher, Mr Andrew Hastie MP, Mr Craig Kelly MP, Senator Chris Ketter, Ms Madeleine King MP, Mr David Littleproud MP, Senator Scott Ludlam, Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald, Senator Bridget McKenzie, the Hon Dr John McVeigh MP, Senator Claire Moore, Senator Deborah O'Neill, Mr Graham Perrett MP, Ms Melissa Price MP, Mr Rowan Ramsey MP, Senator Linda Reynolds, the Hon Warren Snowdon MP, Ms Ann Sudmalis MP, Ms Maria Vamvakinou MP, Mr Jason Wood MP, Mr Trent Zimmerman MP

## Former members

Senator the Hon Stephen Conroy, Mr Michael Danby MP, Senator the Hon Don Farrell, Senator Nick Xenophon

## Secretary

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<b>Current inquiries</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	3	
<b>Reports presented</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	0	
<b>Government responses</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Review of the Defence Annual Report 2013-14 – response dated 21/11/2016	
<b>Meetings</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Private:	19
	Public Hearings:	0
	Briefings:	16
	Inspections:	0
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Secretaries of Sub-Committees</b>		
Ms Sonya Fladun (Foreign Affairs and Aid Sub-Committee)	(02) 6277 4306	
Mr Andrew Dawson (Trade Sub-Committee)	(02) 6277 4586	
Mr Jerome Brown (Defence Sub-Committee)	(02) 6277 4629	

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# Government Procurement (Joint Select)

1 December 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the Senate of 1 December 2016, agreed to by the House of Representatives on 1 December 2016

## Current members

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz, Senator Cory Bernardi, Senator the Hon Kim Carr, Senator Kimberley Kitching and Senator Nick Xenophon

## Former members

Nil

## Secretary

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<b>Current inquiries</b> <i>01.12.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Inquiry into Commonwealth procurement framework and Commonwealth Procurement Rules	
<b>Reports presented</b> <i>01.12.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil	
<b>Government responses</b> <i>01.12.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil	
<b>Meetings</b> <i>01.12.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Private: Public Hearings: Briefings: Inspections: <b>Total:</b>	Nil

# Migration (Joint)

*12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 1 September 2016 and agreed to by the Senate on 12 September 2016

## Current members

Mr Jason Wood MP (Chair), Ms Maria Vamvakinou MP (Deputy Chair), Senator Chris Back, Senator Sam Dastyari, Mr Damian Drum MP, Mr Steve Georganas MP, Senator Nick McKim, the Hon Shayne Neumann MP, Senator James Paterson, Mr Ross Vasta MP

## Former members

Mr Chris Crewther MP

## Secretary

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<b>Current inquiries</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Inquiry into Migrant Settlement Outcomes	
<b>Reports presented</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil	
<b>Government responses</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil	
<b>Meetings</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Private:	6
	Public Hearings:	1
	Briefings:	1
	Inspections:	0
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>6</b>

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# National Capital and External Territories (Joint)

12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 1 September 2016 and agreed to by the Senate on 12 September 2016

## Current members

Mr Andrew Hastie MP (Chair), Ms Gai Brodtmann MP (Deputy Chair), Mr Mark Coulton MP, Senator Jonathon Duniham, Senator Katy Gallagher, Mr Julian Leeser MP, Senator Sue Lines, Senator Malarndirri McCarthy, Senator James Paterson, Senator Lee Rhiannon, the Hon Warren Snowdon MP, Mr Michael Sukkar MP

## Former members

Nil

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<b>Current inquiries</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Review of the National Capital Authority: Biannual Public Briefings Strategic Importance of the Indian Ocean Territories								
<b>Reports presented</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil								
<b>Government responses</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil								
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Public:	2								
<b>Total:</b>	<b>4</b>								

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# Northern Australia (Joint)

*12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 1 September 2016 and agreed to by the Senate on 12 September 2016

## Current members

The Hon Warren Entsch MP (Chair), the Hon Warren Snowdon MP (Deputy Chair), Senator Patrick Dodson, Ms Michelle Landry MP, Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald, Senator Malarndirri McCarthy, Ms Cathy O'Toole MP, Ms Melissa Price MP, Senator Dean Smith, Senator Larissa Waters

## Former members

Mr Michael Freeland MP and Ms Madeleine King MP

## Secretary

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<b>Current inquiries</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Inquiry into Opportunities and Methods for Stimulating the Tourism Industry in Northern Australia	
<b>Reports presented</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil	
<b>Government responses</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil	
<b>Meetings</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Private:	4
	Public:	0
	<b>Total:</b>	4

# Parliamentary Library (Joint)

*12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 1 September 2016 and agreed to by the Senate on 12 September 2016

## Current members

Mr Rowan Ramsey MP (Co-Chair), Senator Sue Lines (Co-Chair), Senator Chris Back, Mr Russell Broadbent MP, the Hon Anthony Byrne MP, Senator Jonathon Duniam, Dr Mike Freeland MP, Senator Claire Moore, Senator James Paterson, Ms Anne Stanley MP, Mr Bert van Manen MP, Mr Trent Zimmerman MP

## Former members

Nil

## Secretary

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## Meetings

*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Private:	1
Public:	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>1</b>

# Trade and Investment Growth (Joint)

*12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 1 September 2016 and agreed to by the Senate on 12 September 2016

## Current members

Mr Ken O'Dowd MP (Chair), Senator Murray Watt (Deputy Chair), Senator the Hon Eric Abetz, Mr John Alexander MP, Senator David Bushby, Senator Anthony Chisholm, Mr Julian Hill MP, Mr Peter Khalil MP, Mr Rick Wilson MP

## Former members

Senator Sue Lines

## Secretary

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<b>Current inquiries</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Inquiry into Australia's trade and investment relationship with Indonesia	
<b>Reports presented</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil	
<b>Government responses</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil	
<b>Meetings</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Private:	5
	Public:	0
	<b>Total:</b>	5

# Treaties (Joint)

12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 31 August 2016 and agreed to by the Senate on 12 September 2016

## Current members

The Hon Stuart Robert MP (Chair), the Hon Michael Danby MP (Deputy Chair), Mr John Alexander MP, Senator Chris Back, Mr Chris Crewther MP, Senator Sam Dastyari, Senator David Fawcett, Senator Sarah Hanson-Young, Senator Kimberley Kitching, Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald, Ms Nola Marino MP, Senator Jenny McAllister, Ms Susan Templeman MP, Mr Ross Vasta MP, Mr Andrew Wallace MP, Mr Josh Wilson MP

## Former members

Senator the Hon Don Farrell, Ms Madeline King MP, Mr Ken O'Dowd MP, Senator the Hon Lisa Singh, Senator Glenn Sterle

## Secretary

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<b>Current inquiries</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil								
<b>Reports presented</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	<p>Report 163: Paris Agreement, Kyoto Protocol—Doha Amendment (presented 7 November 2016)</p> <p>Report 164: Air Services—Kuwait, Air Services—Bahrain (presented 23 November 2016)</p> <p>Report 165: Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (presented 30 November 2016)</p> <p>Report 166: Implementation Procedures for Airworthiness—USA; Convention on Choice of Courts—accession; GATT Schedule of Concessions—amendment; Radio Regulations—partial revision (presented 23 November 2016)</p> <p>Report 167: Nuclear Cooperation-Ukraine; Extradition-China (presented to the Speaker out of session 16 December and the President 19 December 2016)</p>								
<b>Government responses</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil								
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Private:	10								
Public:	11								
Briefings:	1								
<b>Total:</b>	<b>22</b>								

# Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings (Joint Statutory)

*12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*

## Current members

The Speaker (the Hon Tony Smith MP), the President (Senator the Hon Stephen Parry), the Hon Kevin Andrews MP, the Hon Sharon Bird MP, Mr George Christensen MP, Ms Susan Templeman MP and Mr Ross Vasta MP

## Former members

Nil

## Secretary

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## Meetings

*12.09.2016–31.12.2016*

Private:	0
Briefings:	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>0</b>



# Human Rights (Joint Statutory)

12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011*

## Current members

Mr Ian Goodenough MP (Chair), Mr Graham Perrett MP (Deputy Chair), Mr Russell Broadbent MP, Senator Carol Brown, Ms Madeleine King MP, Mr Julian Leeser MP, Senator Nick McKim, Senator Claire Moore, Senator James Paterson and Senator Linda Reynolds

## Former members

Senator Richard Di Natale

## Secretary

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<b>Current inquiries</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Freedom of speech in Australia								
<b>Reports presented</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Human rights scrutiny reports— Report 7 of 2016 (presented 11 October 2016) Report 8 of 2016 (presented 9 November 2016) Report 9 of 2016 (presented 22 November 2016) Report 10 of 2016 (presented 30 November 2016)								
<b>Government responses</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil								
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Private:	9								
Public:	1								
Briefings:	0								
<b>Total:</b>	<b>10</b>								

# Intelligence and Security (Joint Statutory)

12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Intelligence Services Act 2001*

## Current members

Mr Michael Sukkar MP (Chair), the Hon Anthony Byrne MP (Deputy Chair), Senator David Bushby, the Hon Mark Dreyfus MP, Senator David Fawcett, Mr Andrew Hastie MP, the Hon Dr Mike Kelly MP, Senator Jenny McAllister, Senator Bridget McKenzie, Senator the Hon Penny Wong, Mr Jason Wood MP

## Former members

Senator Katy Gallagher

## Secretary

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## Current inquiries

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Review of Administration and Expenditure No.14 (2014-2015) (resumed)

Review of Administration and Expenditure No.15 (2015-2016)

Review of the listing of al-Qa'ida in the Indian Subcontinent, Islamic State in Libya and Islamic State Sinai Province, and the re-listing of al-Qa'ida in the Arabian Peninsula, as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code

Review of the Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016

## Reports presented

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Advisory Report on the Criminal Code Amendment (High Risk Terrorist Offenders) Bill 2016 (Presented 4 November 2016)

Review of the declaration of Islamic State as a declared terrorist organisation under the Australian Citizenship Act 2007 (Presented 8 November 2016)

Review of the re-listing of six terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code: Abu Sayyaf Group, Al-Qa'ida, Al-Qa'ida the Lands of the Islamic Maghreb, Jabhat al-Nusra, Jamiat ul-Ansar, Jemaah Islamiyah (Presented 8 November 2016)

Advisory Report on item 28 of the Law Enforcement Legislation Amendment (State Bodies and Other Measures) Bill 2016 (Presented 18 November 2016)

Advisory Report on the Criminal Code Amendment (War Crimes) Bill 2016 (Presented 18 November 2016)

<b>Government responses</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Nil	
<b>Meetings</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	Private:	11
	Public:	2
	In camera hearings:	0
	Classified hearings:	3
	Briefings:	3
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>19*</b>

*\*Private meetings that have been followed by a hearing or briefing are counted as a single meeting of the committee*

# Public Accounts and Audit (Joint Statutory)

12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Public Accounts and Audit Committee Act 1951*

## Current members

Senator Dean Smith (Chair), Mr Julian Hill MP (Deputy Chair), Senator Cory Bernardi, Ms Gai Brodtmann MP, Ms Nicolle Flint MP, Mr Andrew Gee MP, Mr Ross Hart MP, Mr Kevin Hogan MP, Mr Steve Irons MP, Senator Chris Ketter, Ms Madeleine King MP, Mr Andrew Laming MP, Senator Jenny McAllister, Senator Bridget McKenzie, the Hon Dr John McVeigh MP

## Former members

Mr Russell Broadbent MP, Senator Jonathon Duniam, Mr Ben Morton MP, Mr Bert van Manen MP, Mrs Lucy Wicks MP

## Secretary

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## Current inquiries

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Commonwealth Performance Framework—Inquiry based on Auditor-General's reports 6 (2016-17) and 31 (2015-16)

Commonwealth Procurement—Inquiry based on Auditor-General's reports 1, 13 and 16 (2016-17)

Commonwealth Risk Management—Inquiry based on Auditor-General's report 18 (2015-16)

Defence Sustainment Expenditure

Inquiry into the 2015-16 Defence Major Projects Report

Public sector governance—Inquiry based on Auditor-General's report 29 (2015-16)

## Reports presented

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Report 459 Annual Report 2015-16 (9 November 2016)

<p><b>Government responses</b> 12.09.2016–31.12.2016</p>	<p>Report 451: Letter ANAO Rec 3, tabled 10 November 2016  Report 452: Executive Minutes AG’s Dept and DHS tabled 10 November 2016  Report 452: Government Response Finance Rec 10 received 10 November 2016  Report 453: Government Response Finance/Australian Government tabled 10 November 2016  Report 454: Executive Minute Education and Training received 13 December 2016  Report 454: Auditor-General response: ANAO Recs 1, 3, 5 and 6 tabled 10 November 2016  Report 455: Executive Minute PM&amp;C Rec 1 11 November 2016  Report 455: Executive Minute APSC Rec 1 received 11 November 2016  Report 455: Executive Minute ABS Rec 2 received 10 November 2016  Report 456: Executive Minute Defence Recs 1 and 5 received 8 December 2016  Report 458: Executive Minutes Defence Recs 1, 2, 3 and 4 received 6 December 2016</p>	
<p><b>Meetings</b> 12.09.2016–31.12.2016</p>	<p>Private: Public: Briefings:</p>	<p>7 3 2</p>

# Public Works (Joint Statutory)

12 September 2016 to 31 December 2016

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Public Works Act 1969*

## Current members

Mr Scott Buchholz MP (Chair), Mr Tony Zappia MP (Deputy Chair), Mr David Coleman MP, Senator Alex Gallacher, Mr Ian Goodenough MP, Ms Justine Keay MP, Ms Joanne Ryan MP, Senator Dean Smith, Senator John Williams

## Former members

Nil

## Secretary

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## Current inquiries

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Australian Federal Police Facility Security Enhancement Project  
LAND 17 Phase 1B/1C - Construction and upgrade of indirect  
fire support facilities.

Woomera Range Remediation Facilities Project.

Australian Chancery Project, France - Base Building  
Refurbishment, International Energy Agency Tenancy fit-out.

Australian Embassy Project Washington, District of Columbia,  
United States of America.

JP500 Phase 2A - Electronic Warfare Operations Support  
Facility.

Proposed fit-out and relocation of the Australian Cyber Security  
Centre, Canberra, ACT.

Proposed fit-out of new leased premises for the Department of  
Immigration and Border Protection Headquarters Project.

Proposed fit-out of new leased premises for the National  
Disability Insurance Agency and the Department of Human  
Services, Geelong, Victoria.

Proposed Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation  
Project, Broadmeadows, Victoria.

Proposed Yongah Hill Immigration Detention Centre Hardening  
Project at Mitchell Avenue, Northam, Western Australia.

Seaward Village - Proposed upgrades to housing for Defence  
families at Seaward Village, Swanbourne, Western Australia.

## Reports presented

12.09.2016–31.12.2016

Nil

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<b>Meetings</b> <i>12.09.2016–31.12.2016</i>	<b>Private:</b>	<b>7</b>
	<b>Public:</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>Inspections:</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>7</b>

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**Committee-related  
activity in the chamber**

**30 August 2016–31 December 2016**



## Matters referred to Committees

During the reporting period, 104 matters were referred to Senate Committees for inquiry and report. This included 38 individual/packages of bills referred through the Selection of Bills Committee, 1 individual/package of bills referred directly to a Legislation Committee, 26 matters referred to References Committees, 26 matters re-adopted by References Committees, 8 matters referred to or re-adopted by Joint committees and 5 Select Committees established. The details are as follows:

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	2016 Census (for inquiry and report by 24 November 2016)	31.08.2016 (1)
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Budget Savings (Omnibus) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 13 September 2016)	01.09.2016 (8)
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 [Provisions] and Building and Construction Industry (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14 October 2016)	
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14 October 2016)	
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14 November 2016)	
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Fair Work Amendment (Respect for Emergency Services Volunteers) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 10 October 2016)	
<b>EC (Leg)</b>	Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 13 October 2016)	
<b>EC (Leg)</b>	Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 7 November 2016)	
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Suicide by veterans and ex-service personnel (for inquiry and report by 30 March 2017)	
<b>LCA (Ref)</b>	Serious allegations of abuse, self-harm and neglect of asylum seekers in relation to the Nauru Regional Processing Centre, and any like allegations in relation to the Manus Regional Processing Centre (for inquiry and report by the last sitting day in March 2017)	12.09.2016 (1)

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Referred (Daily Total)</b>
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	National Cancer Screening Register Bill 2016 [Provisions] and the National Cancer Screening Register (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (for inquiry and report by 11 October 2016)	13.09.2016 (10)
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment in Australia (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 29 November 2016)	
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 30 November 2016)	
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Future of Australia's aged care sector workforce (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 28 April 2017)	
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Environmental, social and economic impacts of large-capacity fishing vessels commonly known as 'Supertrawlers' operating in Australia's marine jurisdiction (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 23 November 2016)	
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by the second last sitting day in March 2017)	
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Response to, and lessons learnt from, recent bushfires in remote Tasmanian wilderness (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 1 December 2016)	
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Harm being done to Australian children through access to pornography on the Internet (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 23 November 2016)	
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Risks and opportunities associated with the use of the bumblebee population in Tasmania for commercial pollination purposes (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by the second last sitting day in February 2017)	
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Planned acquisition of the F-35 Lightning II (Joint Strike Fighter) (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 13 October 2016)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Dairy industry (for inquiry and report by 24 February 2017)	14.09.2016 (3)
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	The current and future impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity (for inquiry and report by 30 June 2017)	

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Referred (Daily Total)</b>
<b>CFS (Joint)</b>	Life insurance industry (for inquiry and report by 30 June 2017)	14.09.2016 <i>continued</i>
<b>EC (Leg)</b>	Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 30 November 2016)	15.09.2016 (19)
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Competition and Consumer Amendment (Country of Origin) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 10 October 2016)	
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Jobs for Families Child Care Package) Bill 2016 [Provisions] and the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 10 October 2016)	
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 10 October 2016)	
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 7 November 2016)	
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Budget Repair) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 10 October 2016)	
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Treasury Laws Amendment (Enterprise Tax Plan) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 10 October 2016)	
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Treasury Laws Amendment (Income Tax Relief) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 10 October 2016)	
<b>LCA (Ref)</b>	Nature and scope of consultations prior to the making of the Legal Services Amendment (Solicitor-General Opinions) Direction 2016 (for inquiry and report by 8 November 2016)	
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreement (for inquiry and report by 7 February 2017)	
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Medical complaints process in Australia (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 16 November 2016)	
<b>FPA (Ref)</b>	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 13 October 2016)	

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Referred (Daily Total)</b>
<b>FPA (Ref)</b>	Domestic violence and gender inequality (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 24 November 2016)	15.09.2016 <i>continued</i>
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Airport and aviation security (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 1 December 2016)	
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Effect of market consolidation on the red meat processing sector (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by last sitting day in March 2017)	
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Australia's rail industry (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 18 October 2017)	
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Aspects of road safety in Australia (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 18 October 2017)	
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Future role and contribution of regional capitals to Australia (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 1 December 2016)	
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Increasing use of so-called Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 19 July 2017)	
<b>Red Tape (Select)</b>	Effect of restrictions and prohibitions on business (red tape) on the economy and community (for inquiry and report by 1 December 2017)	11.10.2016 (10)
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Carbon risk disclosure (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 31 March 2017)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Corporate tax avoidance (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 30 September 2017)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Criminal, civil and administrative penalties for white collar crime (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 28 February 2017)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Foreign bribery (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 30 June 2017)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Future of Australia's steel industry (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 1 December 2017)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Non-conforming building products (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report by 25 May 2017)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament with updated terms of reference for inquiry and report by 31 March 2017)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Scrutiny of financial advice (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament with updated terms of reference for inquiry and report by 31 March 2017)	

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Referred (Daily Total)</b>
<b>ACLEI (Joint)</b>	Integrity of Australia's border arrangements (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report)	11.10.2016 <i>continued</i>
<b>FPA (Ref)</b>	Commonwealth funding of Indigenous Tasmanians (for inquiry and report by 28 November 2016)	12.10.2016 (5)
<b>Electricity (Select)</b>	Role of storage technologies and localised, distributed generation to provide Australia's electricity networks with the resilience to withstand the increasing severity and frequency of extreme weather events driven by global warming (for inquiry and report by 10 February 2017)	
<b>LE (Joint)</b>	Illicit tobacco (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report)	
<b>LE (Joint)</b>	Crystal methamphetamine (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report)	
<b>LE (Joint)</b>	Human trafficking (re-adopted from the 44 <sup>th</sup> Parliament for inquiry and report)	
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Australian Crime Commission Amendment (Criminology Research) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 9 November 2016)	13.10.2016 (11)
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2016 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 7 November 2016)	
<b>EC (Leg)</b>	Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2016 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by the last sitting day in March 2017)	
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Income Tax Rates Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions], the Treasury Laws Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions], the Superannuation (Departing Australia Superannuation Payments Tax) Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions] and the Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 7 November 2016)	
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Simplifying Student Payments) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 7 November 2016)	
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Transition Mobility Allowance to the National Disability Insurance Scheme) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 21 November 2016)	

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Referred (Daily Total)</b>
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	VET Student Loans Bill 2016 [Provisions], the VET Student Loans (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016 [Provisions] and the VET Student Loans (Charges) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 7 November 2016)	13.10.2016 <i>continued</i>
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Retirement of coal fired power stations (for inquiry and final report by 1 February 2017)	
<b>EE (Ref)</b>	Impact of the Government's Workplace Bargaining Policy and approach to Commonwealth public sector bargaining (for inquiry and report by 30 November 2016)	
<b>EE (Ref)</b>	Corporate avoidance of the <i>Fair Work Act 2009</i> (for inquiry and report by 7 August 2017)	
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Regulatory requirements that impact on the safe use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems, Unmanned Aerial Systems and associated systems (for inquiry and report by 27 April 2017)	
<b>FPA (Ref)</b>	Gender segregation in the workplace and its impact on women's economic equality (for inquiry and report by 30 March 2017)	09.11.2016 (1)
<b>FADT (Leg)</b>	Civil Nuclear Transfers to India Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 24 November 2016)	10.11.2016 (12)
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	Fairer Paid Parental Leave Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 15 February 2017)	
<b>EC (Leg)</b>	Interactive Gambling Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 30 November 2016)	
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Migration Amendment (Visa Revalidation and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 28 November 2016)	
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 22 November 2016)	
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Privacy Amendment (Re-identification Offence) Bill 2016 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 7 February 2017)	



<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Referred (Daily Total)</b>
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Seafarers and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions], Seafarers Safety and Compensation Levies Bill 2016 [Provisions] and the Seafarers Safety and Compensation Levies Collection Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 7 February 2017)	10.11.2016 <i>continued</i>
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Social Security Legislation Amendment (Youth Jobs Path: Prepare, Trial, Hire) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 21 November 2016)	
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14 February 2017)	
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Treasury Laws Amendment (Fair and Sustainable Superannuation) Bill 2016 [Provisions] and the Superannuation (Excess Transfer Balance Tax) Imposition Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 23 November 2016)	
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Department of Defence's management of credit and other transaction cards (for inquiry and report by 11 May 2017)	
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Operation of the Australian Defence Force's resistance to interrogation (RTI) training (for inquiry and report by 20 March 2017)	
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Price regulation associated with the Prostheses List Framework (for inquiry and report by 30 March 2017)	21.11.2016 (1)
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Australia's general insurance industry (for inquiry and report by 22 June 2017)	22.11.2016 (1)
<b>FADT (Leg)</b>	Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment (Support for Commonwealth Entities) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 7 February 2017)	24.11.2016 (1)
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Delivery of outcomes under the National Disability Strategy 2010-2020 (for inquiry and report by 13 September 2017)	29.11.2016 (5)
<b>Multiculturalism (Select)</b>	Ways to protect and strengthen Australia's multiculturalism and social inclusion (for inquiry and report by 14 August 2017), <i>commencing on 27 March 2017</i>	
<b>Cancer Research Funding (Select)</b>	Impact of health research funding models on the availability of funding for research into cancers with low survival rates (for inquiry and report by 28 November 2017)	

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Referred (Daily Total)</b>
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Consumer protection in the banking, insurance and financial sector (for inquiry and report by the last sitting day of the Autumn sittings in 2018)	29.11.2016 <i>continued</i>
<b>LCA (Ref)</b>	Nature and scope of any agreement reached between the Commonwealth and WA governments regarding the Bell Group of companies (for inquiry and report by 21 March 2017)	
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Protection of Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula (for inquiry and report by 21 March 2017)	30.11.2016 (6)
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Shark mitigation and deterrent measures (for inquiry and report by 30 June 2017)	
<b>Samesex Marriage (Select)</b>	The Commonwealth Government's exposure draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill (for inquiry and report by 13 February 2017)	
<b>CFS (Joint)</b>	Whistleblower protections (for inquiry and report by 30 June 2017)	
<b>NDIS (Joint)</b>	Provision of hearing services under the NDIS (adopted by committee for inquiry and report by 23 March 2017)	
<b>NDIS (Joint)</b>	Provision of services under the NDIS for people with psychosocial disabilities related to a mental health condition (adopted by committee for inquiry and report by 22 June 2017)	
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Corporations Amendment (Crowd-sourced Funding) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 13 February 2017)	01.12.2016 (9)
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Competition and Consumer Amendment (Misuse of Market Power) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 16 February 2017)	
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Crimes Legislation Amendment (International Crime Cooperation and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 16 February 2017)	
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Migration Legislation Amendment (Code of Procedure Harmonisation) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14 February 2017)	
<b>FADT (Leg)</b>	Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Digital Readiness and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14 February 2017)	

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Referred (Daily Total)</b>
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Superannuation Guarantee non-payment (for inquiry and report by 22 March 2017)	01.12.2016 <i>continued</i>
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Complaints mechanism administered under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (for inquiry and report by 10 May 2017)	
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Matters raised by the NSW Police Strike Force CIVET (for inquiry and report by 7 February 2017)	
<b>FPA (Ref)</b>	Operation of the Administrative Arrangements Order (for inquiry and report by 24 February 2017)	

## Reports tabled by Senate Committees

During the reporting period, committees supported by the Senate Committee Office tabled/presented 50 reports. This included 26 Legislation Committee reports and 24 References Committee reports. The details are as follows:

Committee	Inquiry	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
<b>EC (Leg)</b>	*Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015–Interim report (presented OOS 05.05.2016)	30.08.2016
<b>EC (Leg)</b>	Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (presented OOS 05.05.2016)	
<b>Health (Select)</b>	Hospital funding cuts: the perfect storm–The demolition of Federal-State health relations 2014-2016–Final Report (presented OOS 05.05.2016)	
<b>LCA (Ref)</b>	*Conditions and treatment of asylum seekers and refugees at the regional processing centres in the Republic of Nauru and Papua New Guinea–Interim report (presented OOS 05.05.2016)	
<b>LCA (Ref)</b>	Establishment of a national registration system for Australian paramedics to improve and ensure patient and community safety (presented OOS 05.05.2016)	
<b>LCA (Ref)</b>	*Need for a nationally-consistent approach to alcohol-fuelled violence–Interim report (presented OOS 05.05.2016)	
<b>NDIS (Joint)</b>	*Accommodation for people with disabilities and the NDIS (tabled in HoR 05.05.2016)	
<b>ACLEI (Joint)</b>	Inquiry into the jurisdiction of the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (tabled in HoR 05.05.2016)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	*Personal choice and community impacts–Interim report: the classification of publications, films and computer games (term of reference e) (presented OOS 06.05.2016)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	*Personal choice and community impacts–Interim report: the sale and use of tobacco, tobacco products, nicotine products and e-cigarettes (term of reference a) (presented OOS 06.05.2016)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	*Personal choice and community impacts–Interim report: sale and service of alcohol (term of reference b) (presented OOS 06.05.2016)	
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Report on matters referred to committee in previous Parliament	13.09.2016 (3)
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Report on matters referred to committee in previous Parliament	

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Tabled (Daily Total)</b>
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Report on matters referred to committee in previous Parliament	13.09.2016 <i>continued</i>
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Budget Savings (Omnibus) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	14.09.2016 (1)
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Report on matters referred to committee in previous Parliament	15.09.2016 (3)
<b>FPA (Ref)</b>	Report on matters referred to committee in previous Parliament	
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Report on matters referred to committee in previous Parliament	
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Fair Work Amendment (Respect for Emergency Services Volunteers) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.10.2016 (7)
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Competition and Consumer Amendment (Country of Origin) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Jobs for Families Child Care Package) Bill 2016 [Provisions]; Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Budget Repair) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Treasury Laws Amendment (Enterprise Tax Plan) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Treasury Laws Amendment (Income Tax Relief) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Report on matters referred to committee in previous Parliament	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Report on matters referred to committee in previous Parliament	
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	National Cancer Screening Register Bill 2016 [Provisions] and National Cancer Screening Register (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>FPA (Ref)</b>	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services	13.10.2016 (2)
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Planned acquisition of the F-35 Lightning II (Joint Strike Fighter)	

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Tabled (Daily Total)</b>
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 [Provisions], Building and Construction Industry (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [Provisions] and Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [Provisions] (presented out of session 14.10.16)	07.11.2016 (7)
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	*Non-conforming building products–Interim report (presented out of session 18.10.16)	
<b>EC (Leg)</b>	Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2016	
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Simplifying Student Payments) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	VET Student Loans Bill 2016 [Provisions]; VET Student Loans (Charges) Bill 2016 [Provisions]; and VET Student Loans (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>FPA (Ref)</b>	Domestic violence and gender inequality	08.11.2016 (2)
<b>LCA (Ref)</b>	Nature and scope of the consultations prior to the making of the Legal Services Amendment (Solicitor-General Opinions) Direction 2016	
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Working Holiday Maker Reform package: Income Tax Rates Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions], the Treasury Laws Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions], the Superannuation (Departing Australia Superannuation Payments Tax) Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions] and the Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]	09.11.2016 (2)
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Australian Crime Commission Amendment (Criminology Research) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	22.11.2016 (1)
<b>ECO (Leg)</b>	Treasury Laws Amendment (Fair and Sustainable Superannuation) Bill 2016 [Provisions] and Superannuation (Excess Transfer Balance Tax) Imposition Bill 2016 [Provisions]	23.11.2016 (3)

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Tabled (Daily Total)</b>
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Factory freezer trawlers in the Commonwealth Small Pelagic Fishery	23.11.2016 <i>continued</i>
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Harm being done to Australian children through access to pornography on the Internet	
<b>FADT (Leg)</b>	Civil Nuclear Transfers to India Bill 2016 [Provisions]	24.11.2016 (4)
<b>CA (Leg)</b>	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Transition Mobility Allowance to the National Disability Insurance Scheme) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Future role and contribution of regional capitals to Australia–Final report	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	2016 Census: issues of trust	
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Social Security Legislation Amendment (Youth Jobs Path: Prepare, Trial, Hire) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	28.11.2016 (4)
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Migration Amendment (Visa Revalidation and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>FPA (Ref)</b>	Commonwealth funding of Indigenous Tasmanians	
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	*Retirement of coal fired power stations–Interim report	
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment in Australia	29.11.2016 (1)
<b>EE (Ref)</b>	Siege of attrition: the Government's APS bargaining policy	30.11.2016 (5)
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients–Final report	
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Medical complaints process in Australia	
<b>EE (Leg)</b>	Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015	
<b>EC (Leg)</b>	Interactive Gambling Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	*Future of Australia's steel industry–Interim report	01.12.2016 (1)
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Response to, and lessons learnt from, the January and February 2016 bushfires in remote Tasmanian wilderness (presented OOS 08.12.2016)	Presented OOS (1)

\* Reports that did not discharge a reference

***Estimates reports:***

There were nil reports tabled during the reporting period.

***Reports on Annual Reports:***

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled 8 reports.



## Government Responses to Committee reports

During the reporting period, 20 Government responses to Senate Committee reports were tabled/presented. The details are as follows:

Committee	Inquiry	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Digital currency—game changer or bit player (presented OOS 05.05.2016; report tabled 04.08.2015)	30.08.2016
<b>RRAT (Leg)</b>	Voice for animals (Independent Office of Animal Welfare) Bill 2015 (presented OOS 05.05.2016; report tabled 15.10.2015)	
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Industry structures and systems governing the imposition of and disbursement of marketing and research and development (R&D) levies in the agriculture sector (presented OOS 05.05.2016; report tabled 30.06.2015)	
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Palliative care in Australia (presented OOS 06.05.2016; report tabled 10.10.2012)	
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Interest rates and informed choice in the Australian credit card market (presented OOS 06.05.2016; report tabled 16.12.2015)	
<b>FADT (Leg)</b>	Defence Legislation Amendment (Military Justice Enhancements—Inspector-General ADF) Bill 2014 (report tabled 03.03.2015)	01.09.2016 (2)
<b>LCA (Ref)</b>	Handling of a letter sent by Mr Man Haron Monis to the Attorney-General (report tabled 16.09.2015)	
<b>EE (Ref)</b>	Feasibility of, and options for, creating a national long service standard, and the portability of long service and other entitlements (report tabled 25.02.2016)	14.09.2016 (1)
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Mental health of Australian Defence Force members and veterans (report tabled 17 March 2016)	15.09.2016 (1)
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Implications of the restriction on the use of fenthion on Australia's horticultural industry (presented OOS 05.10.2016; report tabled 31.07.2014)	10.10.2016 (2)
<b>EC (Ref)</b>	Stormwater management in Australia (report tabled 2 December 2015)	
<b>LCA (Ref)</b>	Use of smoke alarms to prevent smoke and fire related deaths (report tabled 20 April 2016)	13.10.2016 (1)
<b>FPA (Ref)</b>	Commonwealth Indigenous Advancement Strategy tendering processes (presented OOS 19.10.2016; report tabled 17.03.2016)	07.11.2016 (1)
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Delivery and effectiveness of Australia's bilateral aid program in Papua New Guinea (report tabled 04.05.2016)	08.11.2016 (2)

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>Date Tabled (Daily Total)</b>
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Capability of Defence's physical science and engineering workforce (report tabled 01.04.2016)	08.11.2016 <i>continued</i>
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes Lyme-like illness in Australian patients–Interim report (report tabled 04.05.2016)	09.11.2016 (1)
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Australia's transport energy resilience and sustainability (report tabled 25.06.2015)	10.11.2016 (1)
<b>LCA (Leg)</b>	Exposure draft of the Medical Services (Dying with Dignity) Bill 2014 (report tabled 10.11.2014)	23.11.2016 (1)
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Agribusiness managed investment schemes: Bitter harvest (report tabled 11.03.2016)	29.11.2016 (1)
<b>FADT (Ref)</b>	Australia's relationship with Mexico (report tabled 02.12.2015)	30.11.2016 (3)
<b>RRAT (Leg)</b>	Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions] (report tabled 22.04.2016)	
<b>RRAT (Ref)</b>	Practice of sports science in Australia (report tabled 23.07.2013)	
<b>Wind Turbines (Select)</b>	Final Report (report tabled 03.08.2015)	Presented OOS (3)
<b>ECO (Ref)</b>	Australia's Innovation System (report tabled 03.12.2015)	
<b>CA (Ref)</b>	Bridging our growing divide: inequality in Australia The extent of income inequality in Australia (report tabled 03.12.2014)	

## Additional Comments, Dissenting Reports, Minority Reports and Supplementary Reports\*

<i>Legislation</i>	LP/NAT	ALP	AG	Minor Parties	Multi-Party
Additional Comments	–	1	1	3	–
Dissenting Reports	–	15	14	–	1
<i>References</i>	LP/NAT	ALP	AG	Minor Parties	Multi-Party
Additional Comments	2	2	3	2	–
Dissenting Reports	6	–	1	–	–
<i>Select/Joint</i>	LP/NAT	ALP	AG	Minor Parties	Multi-Party
Additional Comments	–	–	–	–	–
Dissenting Reports	–	–	–	–	–

\* *These statistics record the signatory to the reports*

LP/NAT (Liberal Party, National Party), ALP (Australian Labor Party), AG (Australian Greens), minor parties include Derryn Hinch's Justice Party, Family First Party, Jacqui Lambie Network, Liberal Democratic Party, Nick Xenophon Team and Pauline Hanson's One Nation.

### ***Extension of time to present reports***

During the reporting period, there were 17 extensions of time—6 of one week or less; 2 of over a week; 9 of over a month—granted to a committee administered by the Senate Committee Office to present reports.

### ***Leave to meet while the Senate is in session***

During the reporting period, Senate Committees were granted leave to meet while the Senate was in session on 63 occasions.

### ***Appointment of Committees***

The Joint Standing Committee on the National Broadband Network was appointed on 14 September 2016.

A Select Committee, to be known as the Red Tape Committee was appointed on 11 October 2016.

The Select Committee into the Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World was appointed on 12 October 2016.

The Select Committee on Strengthening Multiculturalism was appointed on 29 November 2016, to commence on 27 March 2017.

The Select Committee into Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates was appointed on 29 November 2016.

### ***Change of Committee Name***

Nil