The Senate
BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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SENATE FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Public Hearings: **ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES FOR 2011-12**

Monday, 13 February and Tuesday, 14 February 2012

Committee Room 2S1
Parliament House
Canberra ACT

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AGENDA

MONDAY, 13 FEBRUARY 2012

Senator the Hon John Hogg, President of the Senate

Parliamentary Departments

9:00am **Department of the Senate**

Outcome 1: Advisory and administrative support services to enable the Senate and senators to fulfil their representative and legislative duties.
Program—Department of the Senate

- Clerk's Office
- Table Office
- Procedure Office
- Committee Office
- Black Rod's Office

9:45am (guide only)

Department of Parliamentary Services

Outcome: Occupants of Parliament House are supported by integrated services and facilities, Parliament functions effectively and its work and buildings are accessible to the public

Program 1—Library Services
- Program 1.1—Research services
- Program 1.2—Information Access Services

Program 2—Building and Occupant Services
- Program 2.1—Security Services
- Program 2.2—Facilities Services

Program 3—Infrastructure Services
- Program 3.1—Building Infrastructure Services
- Program 3.2—IT Infrastructure Services

Program 4—Parliamentary Records Services
- Program 4.1—Broadcasting Services
- Program 4.2—Hansard Services

Program 5—Parliament House Works Programs

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

12:10pm (guide only)

Independent National Security Legislation Monitor

Senator the Hon Chris Evans
1:30pm (guide only)

Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome 1: Coordination of government activities; policy development; advice and program delivery to support and inform the Prime Minister, Cabinet and Cabinet Secretary

Program 1.1—Prime Minister & Cabinet

1.1.1—Domestic Policy
- Domestic Policy Group
- COAG Reform Council (Secretariat)
- Office for the Not-for-Profit Sector

1.1.2—National Security and International Policy
- National Security and International Policy Group
- Whole-of-government cyber policy
- National counter-terrorism committee secretariat

1.1.3—Strategic policy and implementation
- Strategic Policy and Implementation Group

1.1.4—Support services for government operations
- Cabinet support
- Support for ministerial offices
- program of Community Cabinet Meetings
- Parliament House briefing room
- Compensation and legal
- National Australia Day Council[1]

1.1.5—Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting 2011

[1] The National Australia Day Council (individual agency) will be called at this point. Questions of the agency can be asked here.

Program 1.2: Official and ceremonial support

- Prime Minister's official residences
- Support to former Governors-General
- State occasions and official visits

5:30pm (guide only)

National Mental Health Commission

6:00pm (guide only)

Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Outcome1: Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government agencies by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and inspecting statutory compliance by law enforcement agencies

Program 1—Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

7:45pm (guide only)

Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General

Outcome 1: The performance of the Governor-General's role is facilitated through the organisation and management of official duties, management and maintenance of the official household and property and administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system.

Program 1.1—Support for the Governor-General and Official Functions

- Support for the Governor-General
- Administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system

8:15pm (guide only)

Australian National Audit Office

Outcome 1: To provide assurance on the fair presentation of financial statements of Australian Government entities by providing independent audit opinions and related reports for the information of Parliament and the Executive.

Outcome 2: To improve efficiency and effectiveness of the administration of Australian Government programs and entities by undertaking a program of independent performance audits and assurance reviews for the information of Parliament and the Executive.

Program 2.1—Performance Audit Services

9:30pm (guide only)

Australian Public Service Commission

Outcome 1: Increased awareness and adoption of best practice public administration by the public service through leadership, promotion, advice and professional development, drawing on research and evaluation

Program 1.1—Australian Public Service Commission

1.1.1—APS People and Organisational Performance

1.1.2—Investing in APS Development and Capability

1.1.3—Australian Government Employment Workplace Relations

- Remuneration Tribunal secretariat

10:15pm (guide only)	**Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security** **Outcome 1: Independent assurance for the Prime Minister, senior ministers and parliament as to whether Australia's intelligence and security agencies act legally and with propriety by inspecting, inquiring into and reporting on their activities** Program 1.1—Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security

TUESDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2012

Senator the Hon Penny Wong

Finance and Deregulation portfolio

9:00am

Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation

(Merge of Australian Reward Investment Alliance (ARIA) and the Military Super Boards).

9:30am (guide only)

Medibank Private

10:15am (guide only)

ASC Pty Ltd

11:15am (guide only)

Department of Finance and Deregulation

Outcome 1: Informed decisions on Government finances and continuous improvement in regulation making through: budgetary management and advice; transparent financial reporting; a robust financial framework; and best practice regulatory processes

Program 1.1—Budget, Financial Management and Better Regulation

- Budget advice
- Financial management and reporting
- Reviews of major projects
- International Governance and Cooperation
- Better Regulation

Program 1.2—Public Sector Superannuation

- Superannuation Administration Reform Project

Program 1.3—National Building Funds

- Building Australia Fund
- Education Investment Fund
- Health and Hospitals Fund

ComSuper[2]

Outcome 1: Access to Australian Government superannuation benefits and information, through developing members' understanding of the schemes, processing contributions, supporting investment processes, paying benefits and managing member details, for Australian Public Servants and Defence Force members, on behalf of Trustee Boards

Program 1.1—Superannuation Administration Services

2:00pm (guide only)

The Future Fund Management Agency

Outcome 1: Make provision for the Commonwealth's unfunded superannuation liabilities and payments for the creation and development of infrastructure, by managing the operational activities of the Future Fund and Nation building Funds, in line with the Government's investment mandates.

Program 1.1—Management of the investment of the Future Fund

Program 1.2—Management of the investment of the Building Australia Fund, Education Investment Fund and Health and Hospitals Fund

3:00pm (guide only)

Department of Finance and Deregulation...*continued*

[2] May be taken concurrently with DFD Program 1.2 – Public Sector Superannuation.

Outcome 2: Improved Government administration and operations through systems, policy and advice on: procurement; Commonwealth property management and construction; government enterprises; risk management; and application of information and communications technology

Program 2.1—Government Business and ICT

- Procurement Framework
- Increased productivity through the use of ICT
- Government business oversight, special claims and land policy

Program 2.2—Property and Construction

Program 2.3—Insurance and Risk Management

Outcome 3: Support for Parliamentarians, others with entitlements and organisations as approved by Government through the delivery of entitlements and targeted assistance

Program 3.1—Ministerial and Parliamentary Services

7:45pm (guide only)

Australian Electoral Commission

Outcome 1: Maintain an impartial and independent electoral system for eligible voters through active electoral roll management, efficient delivery of polling services and targeted education and public awareness programs.

Program 1.1—Electoral Roll Management

- Electoral roll management
- Support services for electoral redistributions

Program 1.2—Election Management and Support Services

- Federal elections, by-elections and referendums
- Party registrations
- Funding and disclosure services
- Fee-for-service elections
- Industrial and Torres Strait Regional Authority elections
- Advice and assistance in overseas elections

Program 1.3—Education and Communication

- Electoral education
- Communication strategies and services
- Community Strategies

Proposed breaks

Morning tea	10:30 to 10:45
Lunch	12:30 to 13:30
Afternoon tea	15:45 to 16:00
Dinner	18:30 to 19:45
Tea Break	21:15 to 21:30

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