

The Senate

BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Public Hearings: BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2012-13

**Monday, 21 May to Thursday, 24 May 2012
and, if required, Friday 25 May 2012**

**Main Committee Room
Parliament House
Canberra ACT**

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AGENDA

MONDAY, 21 MAY 2012

9.00am	Immigration and Citizenship Portfolio
*Interstate agencies/programs	
9.00am-10.00am	Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal*
	Department of Immigration and Citizenship
10.00-11.30am	Cross portfolio/corporate/general
11.30am-4.00pm	Outcome 2: Protection, resettlement and temporary safe haven for refugees and people in humanitarian need through partnering with international agencies; assessing humanitarian visa applications; and refugee and humanitarian policy advice and program design.
	Program 2.1 Refugee and humanitarian assistance
	Outcome 3: Lawful entry of people to Australia through border management services involving bona fide traveller facilitation; identity management; document verification; intelligence analysis; partnerships with international and domestic agencies; and border policy advice and program design.
	Program 3.1 Border management

4.00pm	Outcome 4: Lawful stay of visa holders and access to citizenship rights for eligible people through promotion of visa compliance responsibilities, status resolution, citizenship acquisition integrity, case management, removal and detention, and policy advice and program design.
	Program 4.1 Visa compliance and status resolution Program 4.2 Onshore detention network Program 4.3 Offshore asylum seeker management Program 4.4 Foreign fishers Program 4.5 Regional cooperation and associated activities Program 4.6 Refugee status determination for offshore entry persons
11.00pm	Adjournment

TUESDAY, 22 MAY 2012

	Immigration and Citizenship Portfolio <i>(in continuation)</i>
9.00am-11.30am	Outcome 4: Lawful stay of visa holders and access to citizenship rights for eligible people through promotion of visa compliance responsibilities, status resolution, citizenship acquisition integrity, case management, removal and detention, and policy advice and program design.
	Program 4.1 Visa compliance and status resolution Program 4.2 Onshore detention network Program 4.3 Offshore asylum seeker management Program 4.4 Foreign fishers Program 4.5 Regional cooperation and associated activities Program 4.6 Refugee status determination for offshore entry persons
11.30am-12.30pm	Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority* <i>(sub-program 1.1.3)</i>
1.30pm-5.00pm	Outcome 1: Managed migration through visas granted for permanent settlement, work, study, tourism, working holidays or other specialised activities in Australia, regulation, research and migration policy advice and program design.
	Program 1.1 Visa and migration
5.00pm	Outcome 5: Equitable economic and social participation of migrants and refugees, supported through settlement services, including English language training; refugee settlement; case coordination; translation services; and settlement policy advice and program design.
	Program 5.1 Settlement services for migrants and refugees
	Outcome 6: A cohesive, multicultural Australian society through promotion of cultural diversity and a unifying citizenship, decisions on citizenship status, and multicultural and citizenship policy advice and program design.
	Program 6.1 Multicultural and citizenship services
	Outcome 4 <i>(in continuation, if required)</i>
11.00pm	Adjournment

WEDNESDAY, 23 MAY 2012

	Attorney-General's Portfolio
9.00am-3.30pm	Australian Human Rights Commission
Interstate agencies	Australian Law Reform Commission
	Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre
	Family Court of Australia
	Federal Magistrates Court of Australia
	Federal Court of Australia
	National Native Title Tribunal
	Office of the Australian Information Commissioner
	Attorney-General's Department
	Outcome 1: A just and secure society through the maintenance and improvement of Australia's law and justice framework and its national security and emergency management system
3.45pm-6.30pm	<p>GROUP 1 Corporate/cross-portfolio/general <i>(Strategic Policy and Coordination Group—encompassing Strategy and Delivery Division, Office of Corporate Counsel, Corporate Division and Information Division)</i> <i>(Strategy and Delivery Division incorporates the addition of the areas of Privacy and Freedom of Information, which were transferred to the AG's Portfolio from PM&C on 19 October 2011)</i></p>
8.00pm	<p>GROUP 2 Program 1.1 Attorney-General's Department Operating Expenses—Civil Justice and Legal Services Program 1.3 Justice Services Program 1.4 Family Relationships Program 1.5 Indigenous Law and Justice <i>(Civil Justice and Legal Services Group—encompassing Civil Law Division, Access to Justice Division, Social Inclusion Division, Office of Legislative Drafting and Publishing, International Law and Human Rights Division —and some aspects of Strategy and Delivery Division to cover constitutional law aspects)</i></p>
11.00pm	Adjournment

THURSDAY, 24 MAY 2012

Canberra based agencies	Attorney-General's Portfolio (<i>in continuation</i>)
9.00am-4.00pm	Australian Customs and Border Protection Service
	Australian Federal Police
	Australian Security Intelligence Organisation
4.00pm-6.00pm	Australian Government Solicitor
6.00pm-8.30pm	Australian Crime Commission
	CrimTrac Agency
	Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia
	Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions
8.30pm	Attorney-General's Department (<i>in continuation</i>) GROUP 3 Program 1.2 Attorney-General's Department Operating Expenses—National Security and Criminal Justice Program 1.6 National Security and Criminal Justice Program 1.7 Australian Government Disaster Financial Support Payments <i>(National Security and Criminal Justice Group—encompassing National Security Resilience Policy Division, Emergency Management Australia, National Security Capability Development Division, National Security Law and Policy Division, Criminal Justice Division and International Crime Cooperation Division)</i>
11.00pm	Adjournment

Proposed breaks	Morning tea	10.30am	10.45am
	Lunch	12.30pm	1.30pm
	Afternoon tea	3.30pm	3.45pm
	Dinner	6.30pm	8.00pm
	Tea Break	9.30pm	9.45pm
	Adjournment	11.00pm	

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