



# Estimates at a glance

21 May to 1 June 2012

## 2012-13 Budget estimates

A quick guide to proceedings

*Committee proceedings* can be viewed on the [Internet](#).

*Committee Hansards* can be obtained from the [Internet](#) (when available).

*Portfolio budget statements* and related papers can be obtained from the Senate Table Office (phone 6277 3010) and on the [Internet](#).

[General information](#) about the consideration of the 2012-13 budget estimates (membership of committees, portfolio allocation, terms of reference etc.) is available on the Senate web page.

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For further information on Senate Committees, please contact the office of the Senior Clerk of Committees on 02 6277 3555.

## Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

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The Committee will meet from Monday 21 to Thursday 24 May in Committee Room 2S3, calling the following portfolios:

- Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Climate Change and Energy Efficiency [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities [\[portfolio information\]](#)

Synopsis of each day's hearings: [\[21 May\]](#) [\[22 May\]](#) [\[23 May\]](#) [\[24 May\]](#)

## **Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

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The Committee will meet from Monday 21 to Thursday 24 May in Committee Room 2S1, calling the:

- Department of the Senate, the Parliamentary Budget Office and the Department of Parliamentary Services [\[information\]](#)
- Finance and Deregulation portfolio [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio [\[portfolio information\]](#)

Synopsis of each day's hearings: [\[21 May\]](#) [\[22 May\]](#) [\[23 May\]](#) [\[24 May\]](#)

## **Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee**

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The Committee will meet from Monday 21 to Thursday 24 May in the Main Committee Room, calling the following portfolios:

- Attorney-General [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Immigration and Citizenship [\[portfolio information\]](#)

Synopsis of each day's hearings: [\[21 May\]](#) [\[22 May\]](#) [\[23 May\]](#) [\[24 May\]](#)

## **Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee**

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The Committee will meet from Monday 21 to Thursday 24 May in Committee Room 2R1, calling the following portfolios:

- Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Infrastructure and Transport [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport [\[portfolio information\]](#)

Synopsis of each day's hearings: [\[21 May\]](#) [\[22 May\]](#) [\[23 May\]](#) [\[24 May\]](#)

## **Community Affairs Legislation Committee**

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The Committee will meet from Monday 28 to Thursday 31 May in Committee Room 2S1, calling the following portfolios:

- Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Health and Ageing [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Human Services [\[portfolio information\]](#)

Pursuant to a resolution of the Senate of [26 August 2008](#), the Committee will also hold a special hearing on cross portfolio Indigenous issues in the Main Committee Room on Friday, 1 June.

Synopsis of each day's hearings: [\[28 May\]](#) [\[29 May\]](#) [\[30 May\]](#) [\[31 May\]](#) [\[1 June\]](#)

## **Economics Legislation Committee**

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The Committee will meet from Monday 28 to Thursday 31 May in Committee Room 2R1, calling the following portfolios:

- Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Resources, Energy and Tourism [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Treasury [\[portfolio information\]](#)

Synopsis of each day's hearings: [\[28 May\]](#) [\[29 May\]](#) [\[30 May\]](#) [\[31 May\]](#)

## **Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee**

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The Committee will meet from Monday 28 to Thursday 31 May in Committee Room 2S3, calling the following portfolio:

- Education, Employment and Workplace Relations [\[portfolio information\]](#)

Synopsis of each day's hearings: [\[28 May\]](#) [\[29 May\]](#) [\[30 May\]](#) [\[31 May\]](#)

## **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee**

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The Committee will meet from Monday 28 to Thursday 31 May in the Main Committee Room, calling the following portfolios:

- Defence, including Veterans' Affairs [\[portfolio information\]](#)
- Foreign Affairs and Trade [\[portfolio information\]](#)

Synopsis of each day's hearings: [\[28 May\]](#) [\[29 May\]](#) [\[30 May\]](#) [\[31 May\]](#)

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*Senate Briefs*, prepared by the Senate Procedure Office, provide general information about the estimates process:

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[No. 13](#): Rights and Responsibilities of Witnesses before Senate Committees

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