



# Senate Daily Summary

## 2009-10 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES

Tuesday, 9 February 2010

### Environment, Communications and the Arts Legislation Committee

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**Portfolios allocated:** Broadband, Communications, and the Digital Economy;  
Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts  
For [current information](#) about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.03am until 11.02pm.

The committee:

- ❑ **called** the department and agencies of the Environment, Water Heritage and the Arts portfolio, including the Office of the Supervising Scientist, the Bureau of Meteorology, the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority, the Director of National Parks, the Murray-Darling Basin Authority and the National Water Commission; and
- ❑ **concluded** its hearings.

### Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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**Portfolios allocated:** Finance and Deregulation; Human Services; Parliament; Prime Minister and Cabinet  
For [current information](#) about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.08am until 9.40pm.

The committee:

- ❑ **called** the department and agencies of the Finance and Deregulation portfolio, including Medibank Private Ltd, the Future Fund Management Agency and the Australian Electoral Commission;
- ❑ **called** the department and agencies of the Human Services portfolio, including Centrelink and Medicare Australia; and
- ❑ **concluded** its hearings.

## Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

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**Portfolios allocated:** Attorney-General; Immigration and Citizenship  
For [current information](#) about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.00am until 10.47pm.

The committee:

- ❑ **called** the Department of Immigration and Citizenship; and
- ❑ **concluded** its hearings.

## Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

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**Portfolios allocated:** Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry; Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government  
For [current information](#) about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.00am until 10.05pm.

The committee:

- ❑ **called** the department and agencies of the Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government portfolio, including Infrastructure Australia, the Australian Rail Track Corporation, the Australian Maritime Authority, the Office of Northern Australia, the Office of Transport Security, Airservices Australia, the Civil Aviation Safety Authority and the Australian Transport Safety Bureau; and
- ❑ **concluded** its hearings.

Committees will meet on Wednesday, 10 and Thursday, 11 February 2009 as follows:

### **Community Affairs Committee** ([program](#))

Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs  
Health and Ageing

### **Economics Committee** ([program](#))

Innovation, Industry, Science and Research  
Resources, Energy and Tourism  
Treasury

### **Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee** ([program](#))

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### **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee** ([program](#))

Defence (including Veterans' Affairs)  
Foreign Affairs and Trade

### **Related links**

*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 2009-10 additional estimates (membership of committees, portfolio allocation, terms of reference etc.) is available on the Senate web page.

[A program](#) for each of the committees is available on the Senate webpage and will be updated as necessary.

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

*Committee Hansards* can be obtained from the Senate Table Office (phone 6277 3010) and on the [Internet](#) (when available)

*The Senate Daily Summary* will be published each day after the committees meet. The Summary will give a brief overview on the progress made by each committee and the business each committee expects to consider the next day.

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### **Further information**

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

[No. 4](#): Senate Committees

[No. 5](#): Consideration of Estimates by the Senate Committees

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

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