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JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE PARLIAMENTARY BUDGET OFFICE

Chair: Senator the Hon John Faulkner

Deputy Chair: Hon Christopher Pyne MP

## Auditor-General to appear at hearing for proposed Parliamentary Budget Office

The Joint Select Committee inquiring into the proposed Parliamentary Budget Office will hold a public hearing on Monday 28 February in Canberra.

To date, the committee has received information about varying options for a mandate with supporting governance and resourcing structures for a Parliamentary Budget Office in the Australian context.

The committee will hear from the Auditor-General in his capacity as an independent officer of the Parliament in regard to the practicalities of access to information powers and protocols and the possible degree of independence of the position of parliamentary budget officer.

## Monday 28 February 2011, Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

8.00 pm Auditor-General

8.30 pm Department of Parliamentary Services

9.15 pm Public Policy Institute, Australian Catholic University

The hearing will be webcast live at: http://webcast.aph.gov.au/livebroadcasting/

**Further information about the inquiry is available:** by contacting the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4576, via email <a href="mailto:jscpbo@aph.gov.au">jscpbo@aph.gov.au</a> or by visiting the committee's webpage at: <a href="mailto:http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/jscpbo/index.htm">http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/jscpbo/index.htm</a>.

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