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Appendix A—Establishment and membership

Parl	Established	Members appointed	Chair ¹ elected	Composition
34	27 February 1985 by resolution of the House	28 February 1985 nominated by whips	20 March 1985 <i>L. J. Keogh</i>	8 (5G/3O)
35	24 September 1987 pursuant to sessional order 28C	8 October 1987 nominated by whips	8 October 1987 J. G. Mountford	8 (5G/3O)
36	8 May 1990 pursuant to sessional order 28C ²	16 May 1990 by resolution	16 May 1990 G. G. D. Scholes	8 (5G/3NG)
37	4 May 1993 pursuant to standing order 28C	12 May 1993 nominated by whips	13 May 1993 N. Blewett	8 (5G/3NG)
			30 May 1994 <i>R. J. Brown</i>	
38	30 April 1996 pursuant to standing order 28C	29 May 1996 nominated by whips	20 June 1996 <i>K. J. Sullivan</i>	8 (5G/3NG)
			28 October 1997 P. E. Nugent	
39	10 November 1998 pursuant to standing order 28C ³	8 December 1998 by resolution	10 December 1998 <i>C. M. Pyne</i>	8 (5G/3NG) 7 (4G/3NG) ³
			29 November 2000 <i>G. Nairn</i>	
40	12 February 2002 pursuant to standing order 330	20 March 2002 by resolution	21 March 2002 <i>M. A. May</i>	7 (4G/3NG)
41	16 November 2004 pursuant to standing order 2214	1&2 December 2004 by resolutions	2 December 2004 <i>M. A. May</i>	7 (4G/3NG)

Table 1—Establishment summary

1 On 9 November 1994 the House adopted amendments to the standing orders applying gender-inclusive pronouns: 'chairman' became 'chair'.

2 On 15 October 1992 adopted by the House as a standing order.

3 On 3 December 1998 standing order 28C was replaced by standing order 330: the number of members was reduced from 8 to 7 and new standing order 333 required members to be appointed by resolution of the House. No members had been appointed to the committee before the changes to the standing orders.

4 On 24 June 2004, the House adopted revised standing orders effective from the start of the next Parliament.

First committee: 34th Parliament: 21 February 1985–5 June 1987

Appointed 27 February 1985 pursuant to resolution of the House

Keogh, Mr L. J.	Chairman	ALP	Qld	28 Feb 1985—
Cameron, Mr D. M.	Deputy Chairman	Lib	Qld	28 Feb 1985—
Hodgman, Hon. W. M.		Lib	Tas	28 Feb 1985—
Hollis, Mr C.		ALP	NSW	28 Feb 1985—
Lindsay, Mr E. J.		ALP	Qld	28 Feb 1985—
McLeay, Mr L. B.		ALP	NSW	28 Feb 1985—
Millar, Mr P. C.		Nat	Qld	28 Feb 1985—
Mountford, Mr J. G.		ALP	NSW	28 Feb 1985—

Secretary

Mark McRae

Resolution of appointment

- (1) That a standing committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the practices and procedures of the House generally with a view to making recommendations for their improvement or change and for the development of new procedures.
- (2) That the committee consist of 8 members, 5 members to be nominated by either the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the Government Whip, 2 members to be nominated by either the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip and 1 member to be nominated by either the Leader of the National Party, the Deputy Leader of the National Party Whip.
- (3) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the Speaker.
- (4) That the members of the committee hold office as a committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.
- (5) That the committee elect a Government member as its chairman.
- (6) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall perform the duties of the chairman of the committee at any time when the chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at any time when the chairman and deputy chairman are not present at a meeting of the committee, the members present shall elect another member to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.

- (7) That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to refer to such a subcommittee any matter which the committee is empowered to examine.
- (8) That the quorum of a sub-committee be a majority of the members of that sub-committee.
- (9) That the committee appoint the chairman of each sub-committee who shall have a casting vote only, and at any time when the chairman of a sub-committee is not present at a meeting of the sub-committee, the members of the sub-committee present shall elect another member of that sub-committee to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (10) That members of the committee who are not members of a sub-committee may participate in the proceedings of that sub-committee but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum.
- (11) That the committee or any sub-committee have power to send for persons, papers and records.
- (12) That the committee or any sub-committee have power to move from place to place.
- (13) That a sub-committee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any sittings or adjournment of the House.
- (14) That a sub-committee have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it and any document presented to it.
- (15) That the committee have leave to report from time to time.

That the foregoing provisions of this (16) resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect

notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

VP 1985-86-87/56

Reports

Title	Presented	PP
1 Alternative opportunities for private Members to concisely address the House	23 May 1985	207/85
2 Days and hours of sitting and the effective use of the time of the House	29 May 1986	108/86
3 The standing orders and practices which govern the conduct of question time	27 November 1986	354/86

Second committee: 35th Parliament: 14 September 1987-19 February 1990

Appointed 24 September 1987 pursuant to sessional order 28C

Mountford, Mr J. G.	Chairman	ALP	NSW	8 Oct 1987—
Cameron, Mr D. M.	Deputy Chairman	Lib	Qld	8 Oct 1987—
Cameron, Mr E. C.		Lib	Vic	8 Oct 1987—
Edwards, Mr R. F.		ALP	WA	8 Oct 1987—
Lamb, Mr A. H.		ALP	NSW	8 Oct 1987—
Lindsay, Mr E. J.		ALP	Qld	8 Oct 1987—
Millar, Mr P. C.		Nat	Qld	8 Oct 1987—
Scholes, Hon. G. G. D.		ALP	Vic	8 Oct 1987—
Secretary	Mark McRae Julia Flynn			

Sessional order 28C

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committee is not present at a meeting of the subcommittee the members of the sub-committee present shall elect another member of that subcommittee to act as chairman at that meeting.

(g) The quorum of a sub-committee shall be a majority of the members of that sub-committee.

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Reports

	Title	Presented	PP
4	Improved opportunities for private Members: Proposed sessional orders	5 November 1987	219/87
5	The ringing of the bells and the Chamber precincts in the new Parliament House and certification of petitions not in the English language	14 April 1988	149/88
6	The publication of tabled papers	24 November 1988	262/88
7	Committee procedures for dealing with witnesses	13 April 1989	100/89
8	The election of Speaker	11 May 1989	146/89
9	The standing orders governing the conduct of committees of the House [1st report on review of standing orders]	30 November 1989	458/89

Scholes, Hon. G. G. D.	Chairman	ALP	Vic	16 May 1990—
Shack, Mr P. D.	Deputy Chairman	Lib	WA	16 May 1990- 26 May 1992
Sullivan, Mrs K. J.	Deputy Chairman	Lib	Qld	3 Jun 1992— (Deputy Chairman from 13 Oct 1992)
Charles, Mr R. E.		Lib	Vic	14 Sep 1992—
Edwards, Mr R. F.		ALP	WA	16 May 1990—
Grace, Mr E. L.		ALP	NSW	16 May 1990—
Hollis, Mr C.		ALP	NSW	16 May 1990—
Rocher, Mr A. C.		Lib	WA	16 May 1990— 14 Sep 1992
Truss, Mr W. E.		Nat	Qld	16 May 1990—
Walker, Hon. F. J.		ALP	NSW	16 May 1990—
Secretary	Robyn Webber Max Kiermaier			

Third committee: 36th Parliament: 8 May 1990-8 February 1993

Appointed 8 May 1990 pursuant to sessional order 28C

Sessional order 28C*

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VP 1990-91-92-93/12

* Adopted as standing order on 15 October 1992

	Title	Presented	PP
10	Greater opportunities for debate on reports from parliamentary committees	11 October 1990	176/90
11	Responses to petitions	6 December 1990	267/90
12	Private Members' Business: Speech time limits for individual Members and priority to notices for private Members' bills	6 March 1991	51/91
13	The standing orders governing: General rule for conduct of business and procedures for the opening of Parliament [2nd report on review of standing orders]	6 June 1991	167/91
14	A citizen's right of reply	6 June 1991	168/91
15	Disclosure of in camera evidence	14 November 1991	295/91
16	The standing orders governing the Speaker, Chairman, Deputy Chairmen and Officers [3rd report on review of standing orders]	30 April 1992	101/92
17	Seconding of private Members' notices of motion [4th report of review of standing orders]	30 April 1992	102/92
18	The standing orders governing questions seeking information [5th report of review of standing orders]	25 June 1992	179/92
19	The standing orders governing disorder and strangers [6th report of review of standing orders]	15 October 1992	243/92

Blewett, Hon. Dr N.	Chairman	ALP	SA	12 May 1993-
				11 Feb 1994
Brown, Hon. R. J.	Chairman	ALP	NSW	9 May 1994— (Chair from 30 May
				1994)
Sullivan, Mrs K. J.	Deputy Chairman	Lib	Qld	12 May 1993—
Elliott, Hon. R. P.		ALP	NSW	12 May 1993-
				9 Feb 1994
Filing, Mr P. A.		Lib	WA	12 May 1993-
				21 Jun 1995
McLeay, Hon. L. B.		ALP	NSW	12 May 1993—
Melham, Mr D.		ALP	NSW	12 May 1993—
Nehl, Mr G. B.		Nat	NSW	12 May 1993—
Price, Hon. L. R. S.		ALP	NSW	12 May 1993—
Scott, Mr L. J.		ALP	Qld	9 Feb 1994—
Thomson, Mr A. P.		Lib	NSW	21 Jun 1995—
Secretary	Robyn Webber			

Fourth committee: 37th Parliament: 4 May 1993–29 January 1996

Appointed 4 May 1993 pursuant to standing order 28C

Standing order 28C

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	Title	Presented	РР
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20	About time: Bills, questions and working hours—Inquiry into reform of the House of Representatives	28 October 1993	194/93
21	Application of modern technology to committee proceedings	5 December 1994	364/94
22	Time for review: Bills, questions and working hours—Review of procedural changes operating since 21 February 1994	19 June 1995	108/95
23	Procedures for the opening of Parliament	16 October 1995	195/95

Chair Qld Sullivan, Mrs K. J. Lib 29 May 1996-23 Oct 1997 Chair Lib Vic Nugent, Mr P. E. 23 Oct 1997-(Chair from 28 Oct 1997) Deputy Chair NSW Mossfield, Mr F. W. ALP 29 May 1996-Andrew. Mr J. N. Lib SA 29 May 1996-Cadman, Mr A. G. Lib **NSW** 29 May 1996-24 Sep 1997 Cameron. Mr E. H. Lib WA 23 Oct 1997-Forrest, Mr J. A. Nat Vic 30 Oct 1997-**NSW** Martin, Hon. S. P. ALP 29 May 1996-Reid, Hon. N. B. Lib Vic 29 May 1996-Somlyay, Mr A. M. Lib Old 24 Sep 1997-23 Oct 1997 Thomson, Mr K. J. ALP 29 May 1996-Vic Truss, Mr W. E. Qld Nat 29 May 1996-30 Oct 1997

Fifth committee: 38th Parliament: 30 April 1996-31 August 1998

Appointed 30 April 1996 pursuant to standing order 28C

Secretary

Robyn Webber

Standing order 28C

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	Title	Presented	PP
24	The operation of standing order 143: Questions to Members other than Ministers	16 September 1996	115/96
25	Bills—Consideration in detail: Review of the operation of standing order 226	28 October 1996	190/96
26	Conduct of divisions	18 November 1996	290/96
27	Review of reports of previous Procedure Committees which have not received a government response	2 December 1996	350/96
28	Provision for Members to make short speeches in the Main Committee	20 October 1997	184/97
29	Ten years on—A review of the House of Representatives committee system	1 June 1998	91/98

Sixth committee: 39th Parliament: 10 November 1998-8 October 2001

Appointed 10 November 1998 pursuant to standing order 28C; superseded by standing order 330 on 3 December 1998

Pyne, Mr C. M.	Chair	Lib	SA	8 Dec 1998- 6 Nov 2000
Nairn, Mr G.	Chair	Lib	NSW	6 Nov 2000— (Chair from 29 Nov 2000—)
Price, Hon. L. R. S.	Deputy Chair	ALP	NSW	8 Dec 1998—
Cameron, Mr R. A.		Lib	NSW	8 Dec 1998—
Ferguson, Mr M. J.		ALP	Vic	8 Dec 1998—
Forrest, Mr J. A.		Nat	Vic	8 Dec 1998—
Gash, Mrs J.		Lib	NSW	8 Dec 1998—
Gerick, Ms J.		ALP	WA	8 Dec 1998—
Secretary	Robyn Webber			
Standing order 330				
Standing Committee on Procedure		improvement or change and for the development of new procedures.		
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Note: Standing order 28C was omitted on 3 December 1998 and standing order 330 introduced

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	Title	Presented	PP
30	It's your House—Community involvement in the procedures and practices of the House of Representatives and its committees	22 November 1999	363/99
31	e-motions: The electronic transaction of questions, answers and notices of motion and related matters	12 April 2000	76/00
32	The Second Chamber: Enhancing the Main Committee	14 August 2000	158/01
33	Promoting community involvement in the work of committees: Conference of committee chairs, deputy chairs and secretaries 6 March 2001	18 June 2001	114/01
34	Balancing tradition and progress: Procedures for the opening of Parliament	27 August 2001	165/01

Seventh committee: 40th Parliament: 12 February 2002-31 August 2004

Appointed 12 February 2002 pursuant to standing order 330

May, Mrs M. A.	Chair	Lib	Qld	20 Mar 2002—
Price, Hon. L. R. S.	Deputy Chair	ALP	NSW	20 Mar 2002—
Bishop, Hon. B. K.		Lib	NSW	20 Mar 2002—
Ferguson, Mr M. J.		ALP	Vic	20 Mar 2002—
Haase, Mr B. W.		Lib	WA	20 Mar 2002—
King, Mr P. E.		Lib	NSW	20 Mar 2002—
Vamvakinou, Ms M.		ALP	Vic	20 Mar 2002—

Secretary

Judy Middlebrook

Standing order 330

Standing Committee on Procedure

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(b) The committee shall consist of seven members, four government members and three nongovernment members.

	Title	Presented	PP
35	Sessional Order 344	19 June 2003	119/03
36	Review of the conduct of divisions	18 August 2003	163/03
37	House estimates: Consideration of the annual estimates by the House of Representatives	13 October 2003	211/03
38	Revised standing orders: The standing orders of the House of Representatives as last amended on 6 February 2003, redrafted and reorganised	24 November 2003	394/03
39	Arrangements for second reading speeches	1 December 2003	407/03
40	Trial of additional tellers	1 December 2003	408/03
41	Renaming the Main Committee	3 June 2004	
42	Arrangements for joint meetings with the Senate	21 June 2004	
43	Media coverage of House Proceedings including the Chamber, Main Committee and committees—Interim report	9 August 2004	

Eighth committee: 41st Parliament: 16 November 2004-1

Appointed 16 November 2004 pursuant to standing order 221

Chair	Lib	Qld	1 Dec 2004—
Deputy Chair	ALP	NSW	2 Dec 2004—
	Lib	NSW	1 Dec 2004—
	Lib	SA	1 Dec 2004—
	Nat	NSW	31 May 2005—
	ALP	NSW	2 Dec 2004—
	Nat	Qld	1 Dec 2004— 31 May 2005
	ALP	NSW	2 Dec 2004—
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Secretary

Judy Middlebrook

Standing order 221

221 Procedure Committee

(a) A Procedure Committee shall be appointed to inquire into and report on the practices and procedures of the House and its committees.

(b) The committee shall consist of seven members: four government and three nongovernment Members.

	Title	Presented	PP
44	The anticipation rule	14 March 2005	82/05