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INQUIRY INTO THE WATER AMENDMENT (WATER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT SPECIAL ACCOUNTS) BILL 2012

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Committee to conduct inquiry into Water Account Bill

The House of Representatives Selection Committee has referred the Water Amendment (Water for the Environment Special Account) Bill to the Regional Australia Committee for inquiry.

The Selection Committee has specifically asked that the Regional Australia Committee look at the commitment of \$1.77 billion for future funding and the legitimacy of this approach.

The Committee welcomes submissions to the inquiry by close of business 15 November 2012.

A public hearing will be held on **Tuesday, 20 November 2012** in Sydney. Details will be advised on www.aph.gov.au/ra.

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