

WORK OF COMMITTEES

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This report is divided into several sections that provide statistics on committee work during the following periods:

- the half year (1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012); and
- the financial year (1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012)

Statistics on these periods are kept in order to record information based on parliamentary terms as well as half, financial and full year periods.

This Report is available on the Internet at:

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ABBREVIATIONS

Committees

ACLEI	Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity
FOOD PROCESSING	Australia's Food Processing Sector
IMMIGRATION	Australia's Immigration Detention Network
CA	Community Affairs
CFS	Corporations and Financial Services
ECO	Economics
EEWR	Education, Employment and Workplace Relations
EC	Environment and Communications
ECITA	Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts
FADT	Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
FPA	Finance and Public Administration
GAMBLING	Gambling Reform
HUMAN RIGHTS	Human Rights
LCA	Legal and Constitutional Affairs
LE	Law Enforcement
RAT	Rural Affairs and Transport
RRAT	Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
NEW TAXES	Scrutiny of New Taxes

Political Affiliations

AG	Australian Greens
ALP	Australian Labor Party
CLP	Country Liberal Party
DLP	Democratic Labor Party
IND	Independent
LP	Liberal Party of Australia
NATS	The Nationals

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Other publications available from the Committee Office:

Committee Reports*

Consolidated Register of Senate Committee Reports (1970–2011)

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate_Committees?url=register/report/index.htm

The First 20 Years (History of Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees 1970–1990)

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate_Committees?url=history/first_20_years/contents.htm

Business of Committees (Program of committee public hearings held in Canberra and/or interstate)

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate_Committees?url=red.htm

Public Hearings/Meetings list (list of all forthcoming public hearings and is published every Friday)

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate_Committees?url=hearings/index.htm

Bills to Committees Update (providing details on the progress of legislation through Senate committees)

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Bills_Legislation#a7

- Information pamphlets
- No. 1 Notes to assist in the preparation of submissions to Senate Committee inquiries
http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate_Committees?url=wit_sub/bro_one.htm
 - No. 2 Information for witnesses appearing before Senate Committees (general information and notes to assist with the preparation of oral evidence before Senate committees)
http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate_Committees?url=wit_sub/bro_two.htm
 - No. 3 Protection of witnesses appearing before Senate Committees (Senate Privilege Resolution No. 1 on procedures to be observed by Senate committees for the protection of witnesses)
http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate_Committees?url=wit_sub/bro_thr.htm
 - No. 4 Government Guidelines for official witnesses before Parliamentary Committees and related matters (Extract)
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** a selection of reports presented prior to June 1997 and all reports tabled thereafter are available on the Internet*

DIRECTORY OF COMMITTEES

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Administered</i>	<i>Phone (02)</i>	<i>Fax (02)</i>
Appropriations and Staffing	Standing	S	6277 3015	6277 5784
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5809
Australia's Food Processing Sector	Select	S	6277 3583	6277 5719
Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4888	6277 4204
Community Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3518	6277 5829
Corporations and Financial Services	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3583	6277 5719
Cyber-Safety	Joint Select	H	6277 4642	6277 2219
Economics*	LGPS	S	6277 3540	6277 5719
Electoral Matters	Joint	H	6277 4564	6277 4710
Education, Employment and Workplace Relations*	LGPS	S	6277 3521	6277 5706
Environment and Communications*	LGPS	S	6277 3526	6277 5818
Finance and Public Administration*	LGPS	S	6277 3439	6277 5809
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	Joint	H	6277 4629	6277 2221
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade*	LGPS	S	6277 3535	6277 5818
Gambling Reform	Joint Select	S	6277 3433	6277 5952
House	Standing	S	6277 3398	6277 3199
Human Rights	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3823	6277 5767
Intelligence and Security	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4629	6277 2067
Law Enforcement	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5809
Legal and Constitutional Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3594	6277 5794
Migration	Joint	H	6277 4642	6277 4827
National Capital and External Territories	Joint	H	6277 4564	6277 8478
Parliamentary Library	Joint	DPS	6277 7102	6277 2403
Privileges	Standing	S	6277 3360	6277 3199
Procedure	Standing	S	6277 3350	6277 3199
Public Accounts and Audit	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4615	6277 2220
Public Works	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4636	6277 4426
Publications	Standing	S	6277 3037	6277 5784
Regulations and Ordinances	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3066	6277 5881
	Standing			
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport*	LGPS	S	6277 3511	6277 5811
Scrutiny of Bills	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3051	6277 5881
	Standing			
Selection of Bills	Standing	S	6277 3020	6277 3098
Senators' Interests	Standing	S	6277 3360	6277 3199
Treaties	Joint	H	6277 4642	6277 2219

Code

H	Department of the House of Representatives
DPS	Department of Parliamentary Services
LGPS	Legislative and General Purpose Standing
S	Department of the Senate
*	Legislation and References Committees

Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

Introduction

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office provided staffing and resources for the following committees:

- Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees;
- Specific Joint Statutory Committees; and
- Senate Select Committees and two Joint Select Committees

Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees

The Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees and the relevant portfolio/subject areas allocated to them are as follows:

Community Affairs

- Legislation
- References
- Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs
- Health and Ageing
- Human Services

Economics

- Legislation
- References
- Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education
- Resources, Energy and Tourism
- Treasury

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

- Legislation
- References
- Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

Environment and Communications

- Legislation
- References
- Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy
- Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
- Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities

Finance and Public Administration

- Legislation
- References
- Finance and Deregulation
- Parliament
- Prime Minister and Cabinet

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

- Legislation
- References
- Defence (including Veterans' Affairs)
- Foreign Affairs and Trade

Legal and Constitutional Affairs

- Legislation
- References
- Attorney-General
- Immigration and Citizenship

Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport

- Legislation
- References
- Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
- Infrastructure and Transport
- Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport

Joint Statutory Committees

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office also administered three Joint Statutory Committees comprising members of the House of Representatives and Senators. These are:

- Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity
- Corporations and Financial Services, and
- Law Enforcement

Senate Select Committees

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office provided staffing and resources for the following Senate Select Committee:

- Australia's Food Processing Sector (appointed 24 March 2011)

Joint Select Committees

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office provided staffing and resources for the following Joint Select Committees:

- Australia's Immigration Detention Network (appointed 16 June 2011)
- Gambling Reform (appointed 30 September 2010)

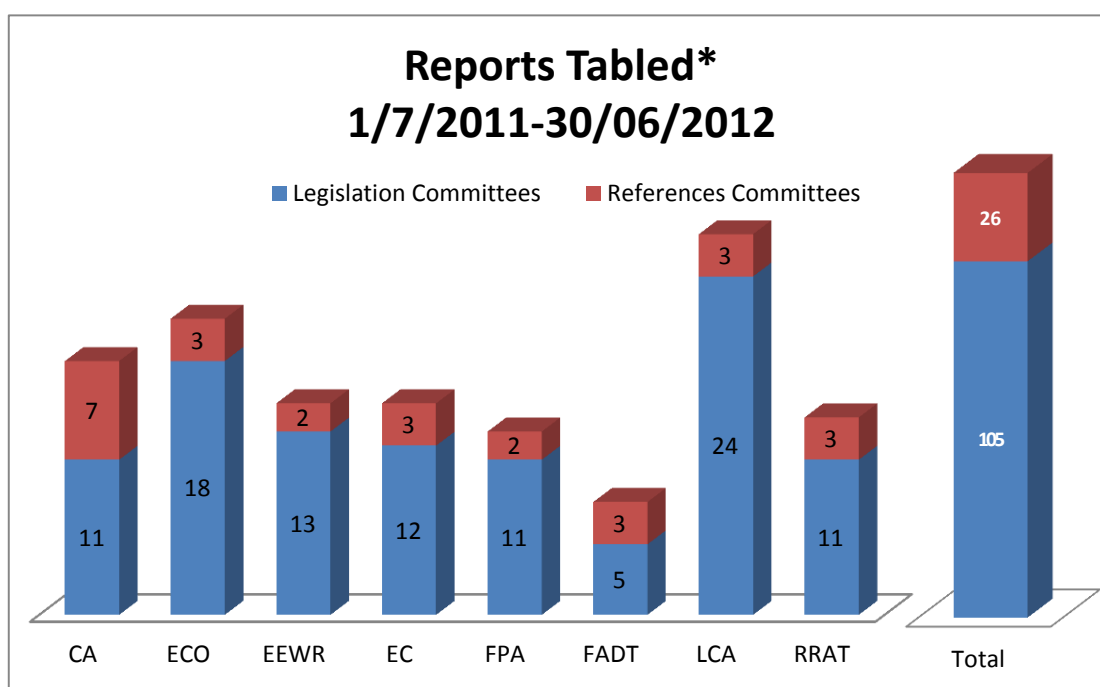
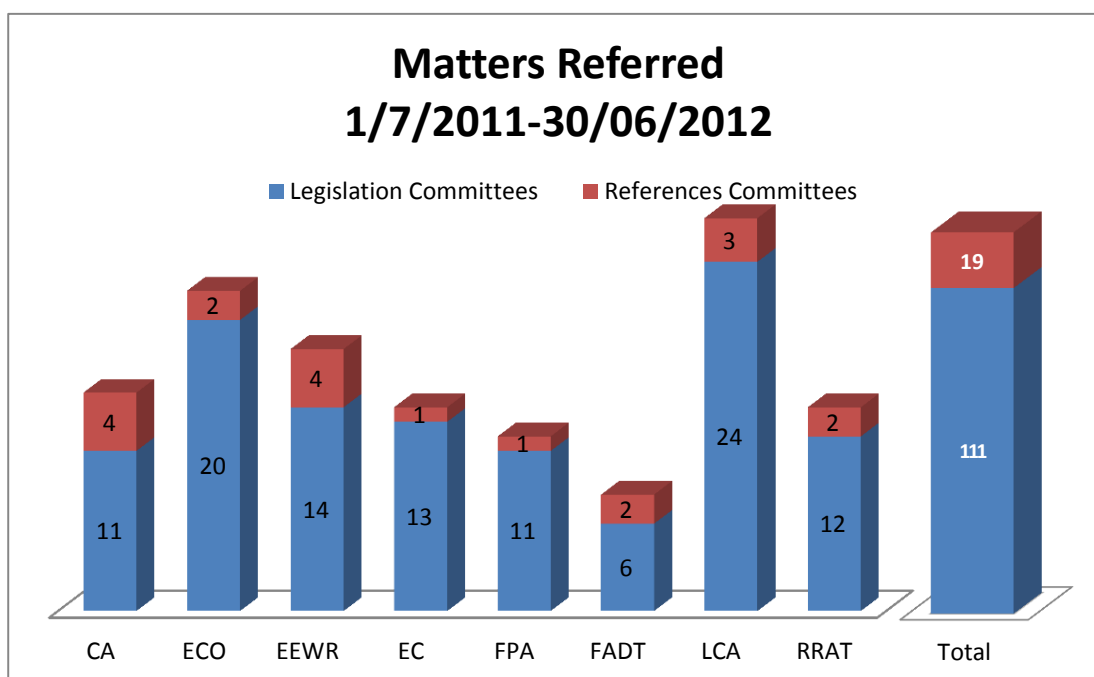
PART ONE

Legislation and References Committees at a glance

1 July 2011–30 June 2012

Senate Committees at a glance

Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees



**These figures only include tabled reports that discharged a reference*

CA (Community Affairs), ECO (Economics), EEWR (Education, Employment & Workplace Relations), EC (Environment & Communications), FPA (Finance & Public Administration), FADT (Foreign Affairs, Defence & Trade), LCA (Legal & Constitutional Affairs), RRAT (Rural & Regional Affairs & Transport)

PART TWO

Consolidated Statistical Overview (Financial Year)

1 July 2011–30 June 2012

Statistical Overview of Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office: 1 July 2011–30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Legislation	11	111 (A)	105+2^+(4**) (B)	15
References	21	19 (A)	26+1^+(13**) (B)	13
Select/Joint	13	13	14+2^+(12**) (B)	10
Total	45	143	145+5^	38

Number and Hours of Meeting								
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/ Other	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	65	69	702:17	234	43:49	0	368	993:16
References	77	0	0:00	180	56:25	9	266	477:29
Select/Joint	68	0	0:00	134	59:19	21	223	380:27
Total	210	69	702:17	548	159:33	30	857	1851:12

Meetings by State						
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	QLD
Legislation	2	10	1	0	1	0
References	6	10	2	6	8	6
Select/Joint	29	10	2	4	13	4
Total	37	30	5	10	22	10

Televised Hearings	Witnesses			Hansard pages			No of Submissions	No. of Pages	Government Responses
	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	126	4987	812	13	2444	172	2437~	16822	11
References	55	0	0	1168	0	3900	3297#	26930	31
Select/Joint	39	0	105	659	327	2627	630	8668	7
Total	220	4987	917	1840	2771	6699	6364	52420	49

(A) 16 Annual Reports and 16 Estimates references; 78 Individual/Packages of Bills; 1 Legislation matter; 19 other references

(B) 16 Reports on Annual Reports; 17 Estimates Reports; 72 bills reports; 26 references reports

** Reports that did not discharge a reference

~ submission total does not include 74,971 form letters and short statements received by the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee for the Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010

submission total does not include 68 form letters received by the Environment and Communications Committee for the Recent ABC programming decisions inquiry

^ references finalised but not separately reported on

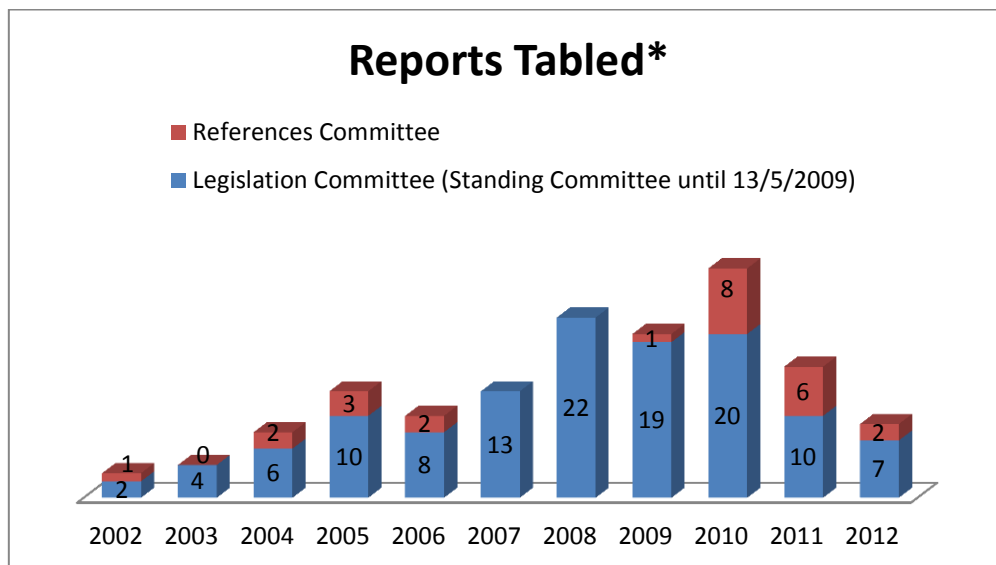
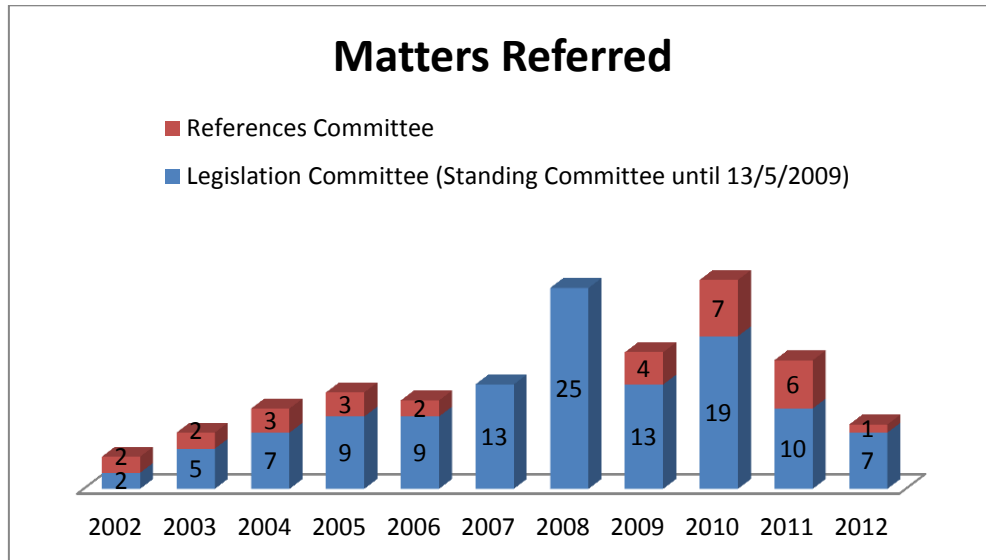
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Community Affairs Legislation & References Committee

Matters Referred and Reports Tabled Annually
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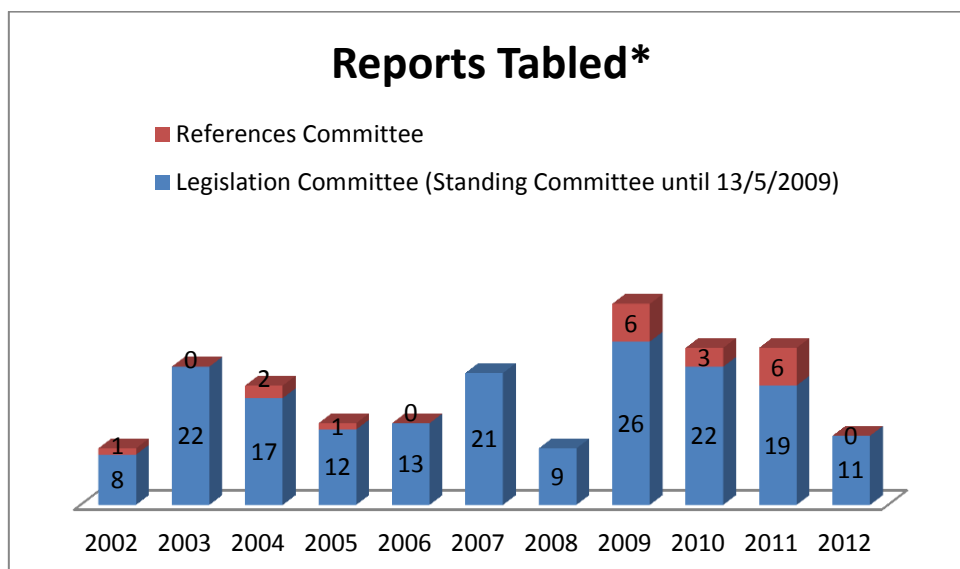
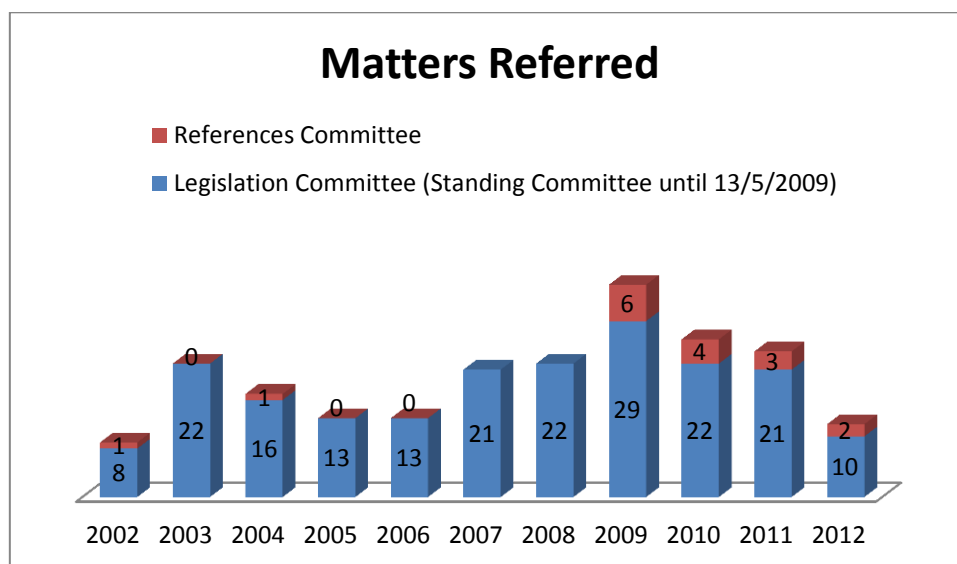


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Economics

Legislation & References Committee

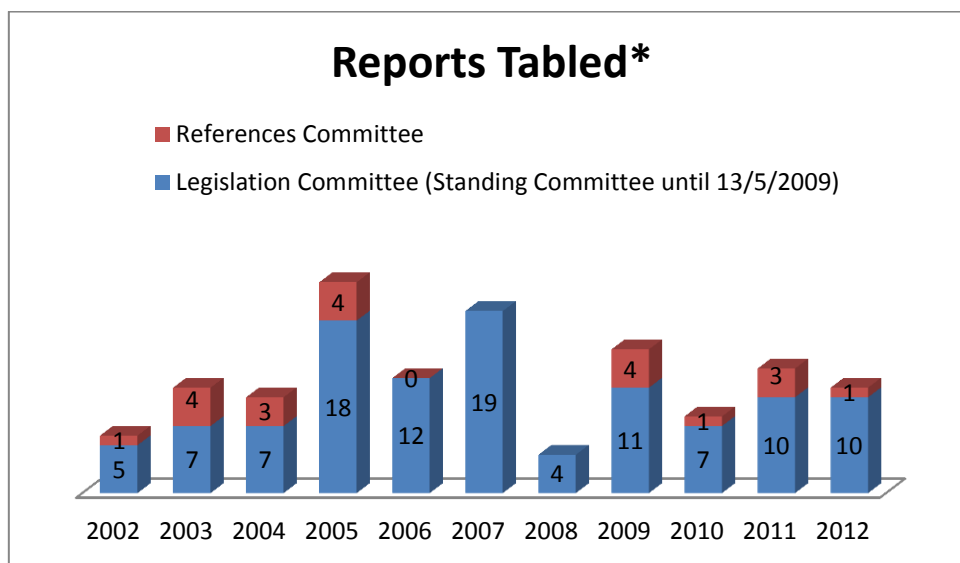
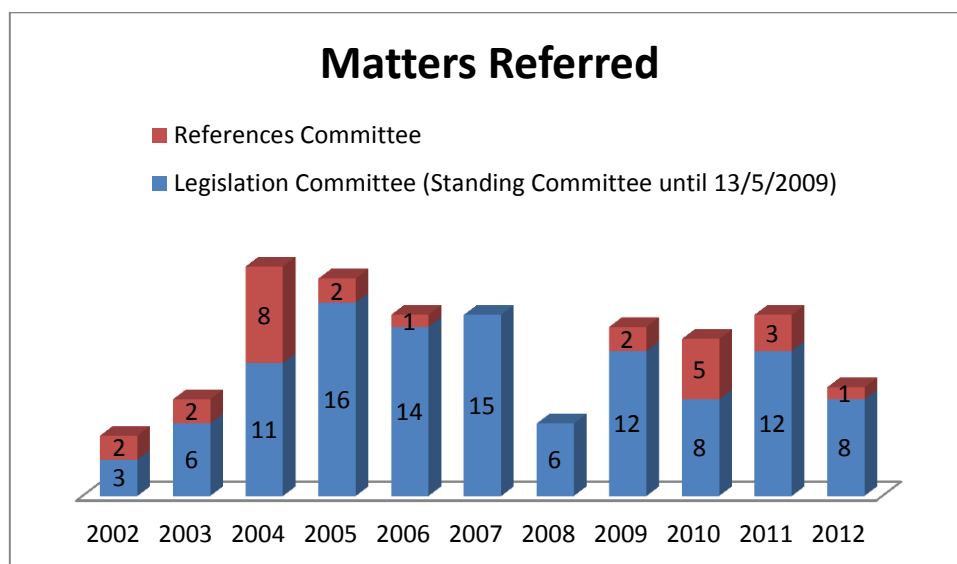
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Education, Employment & Workplace Relations Legislation & References Committee

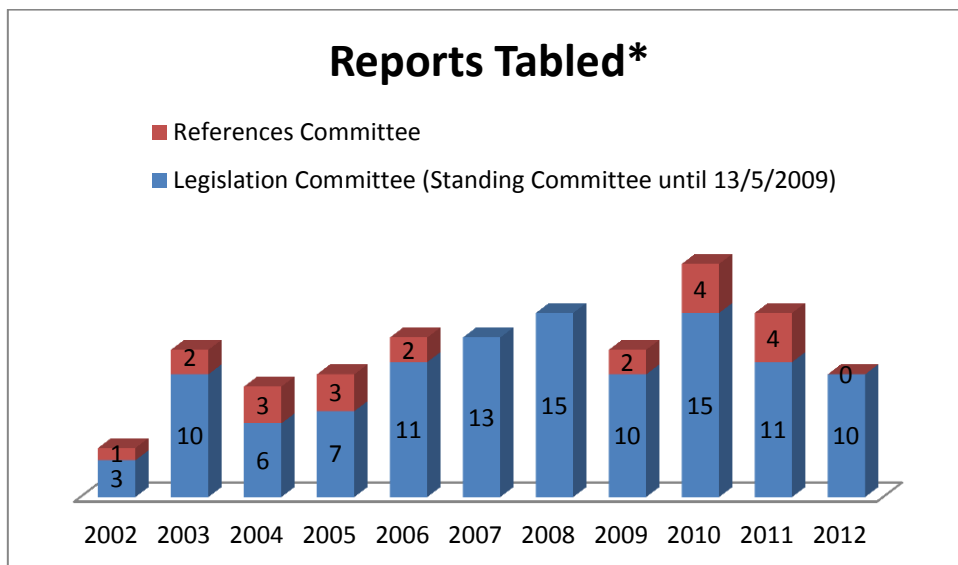
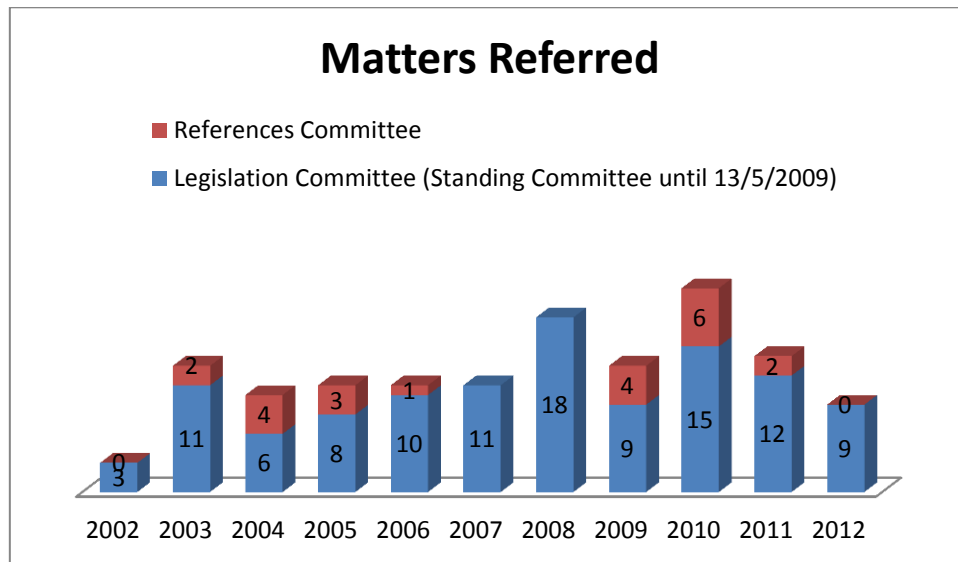
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Environment & Communications Legislation & References Committee

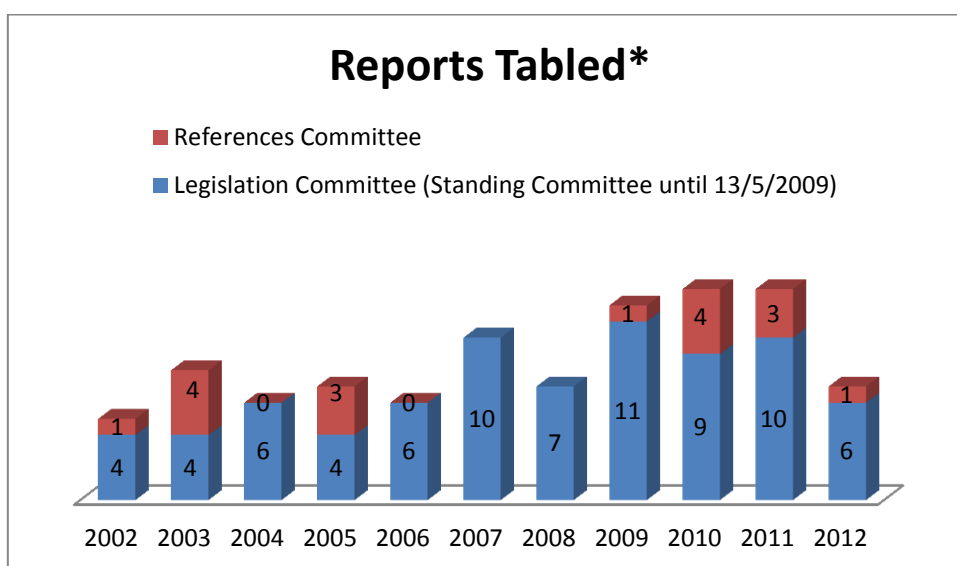
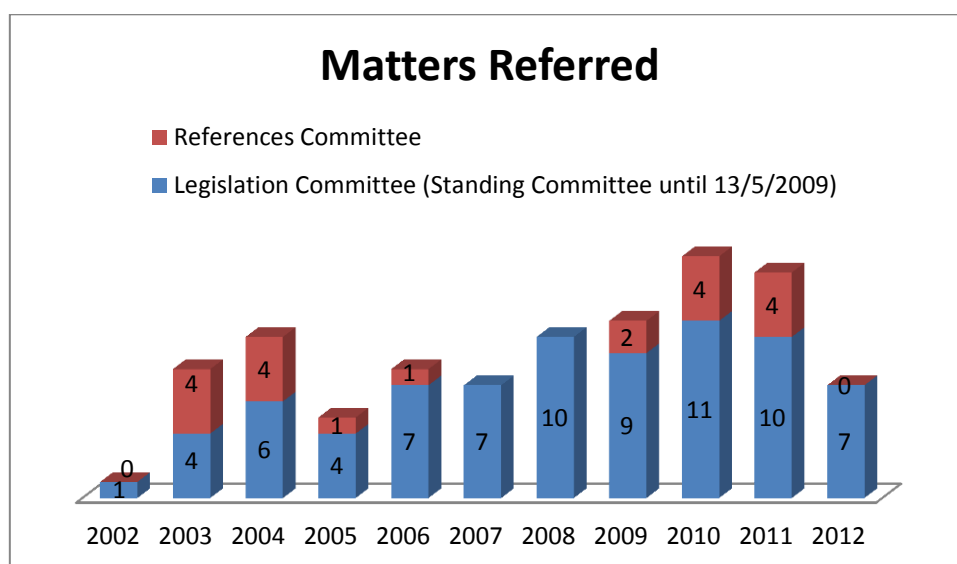
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Finance & Public Administration Legislation & References Committee

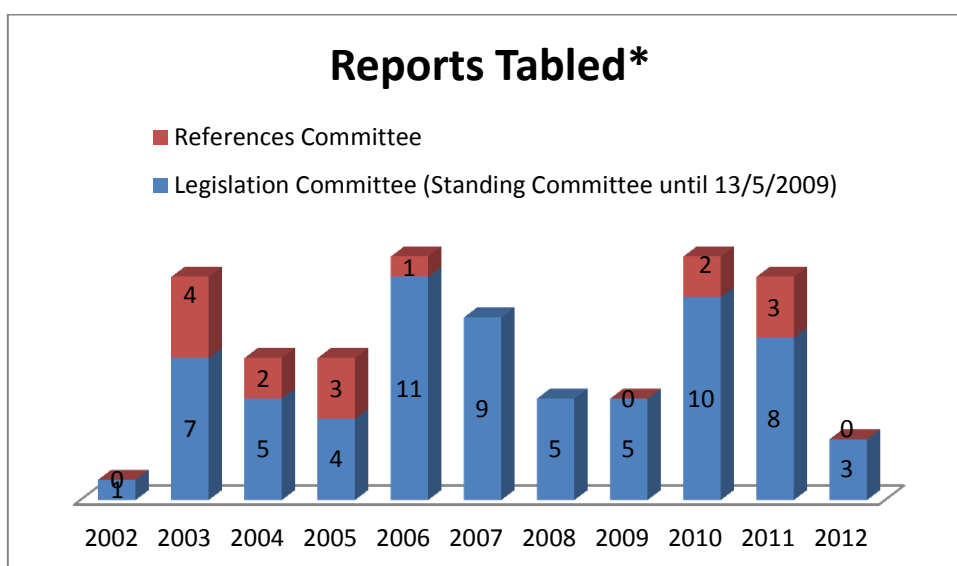
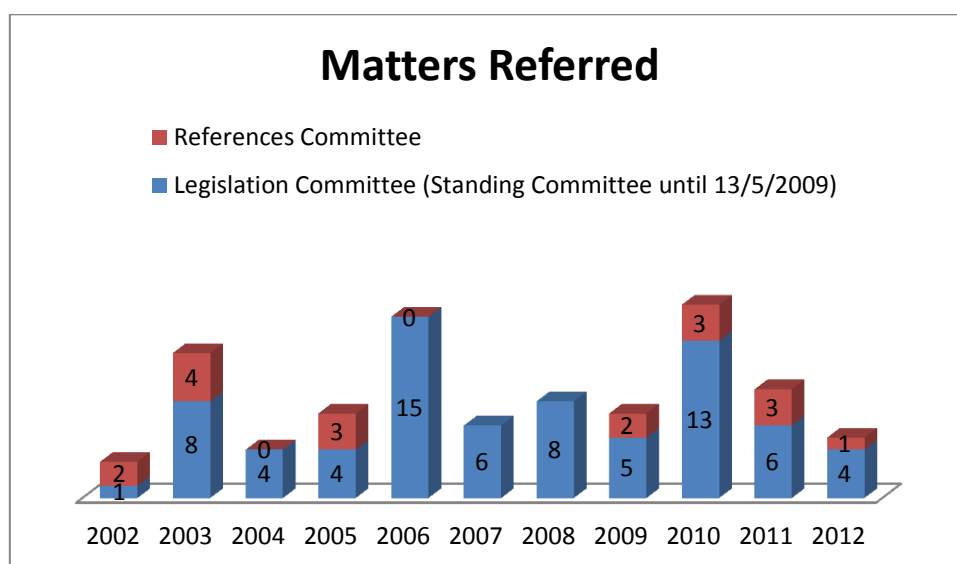
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Foreign Affairs, Defence & Trade Legislation & References Committee

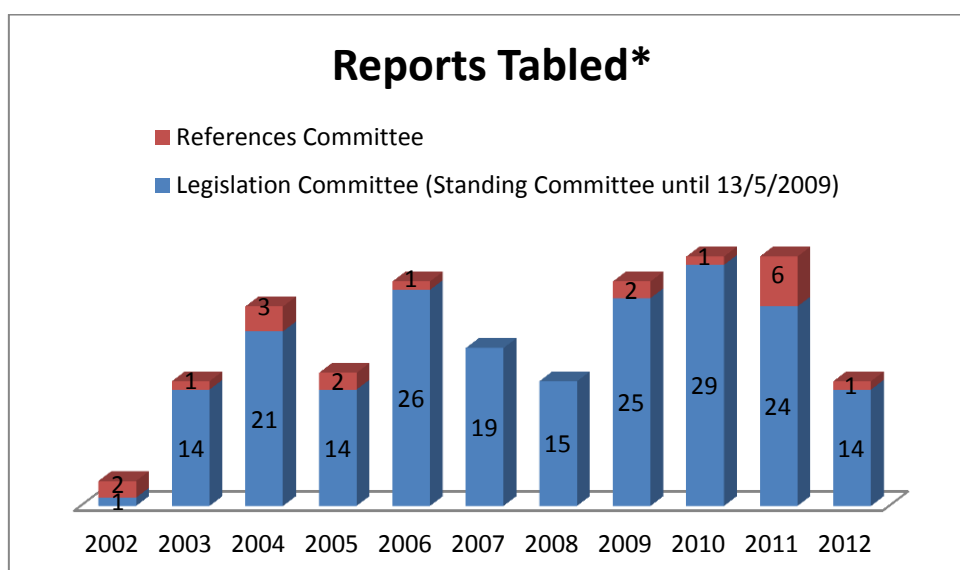
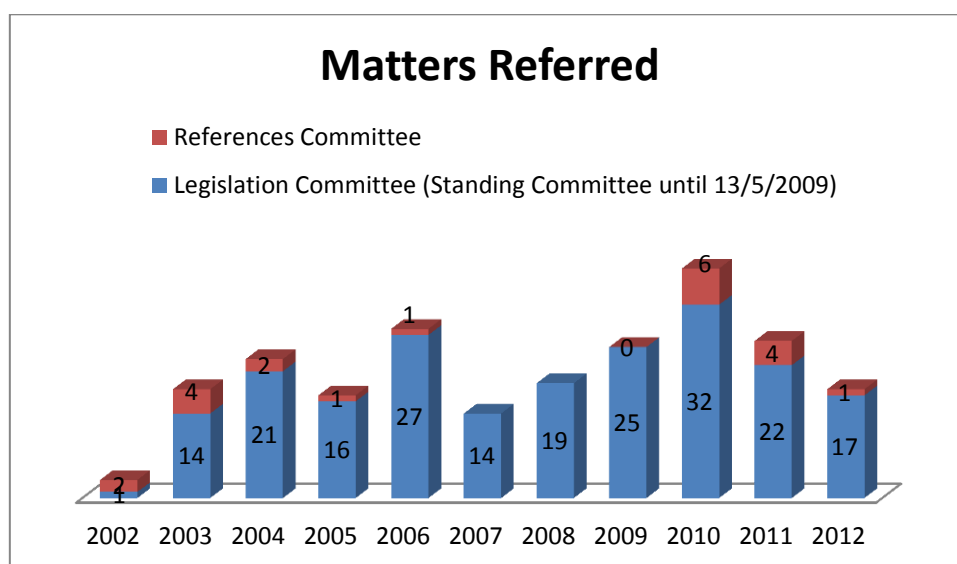
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Legal & Constitutional Affairs Legislation & References Committee

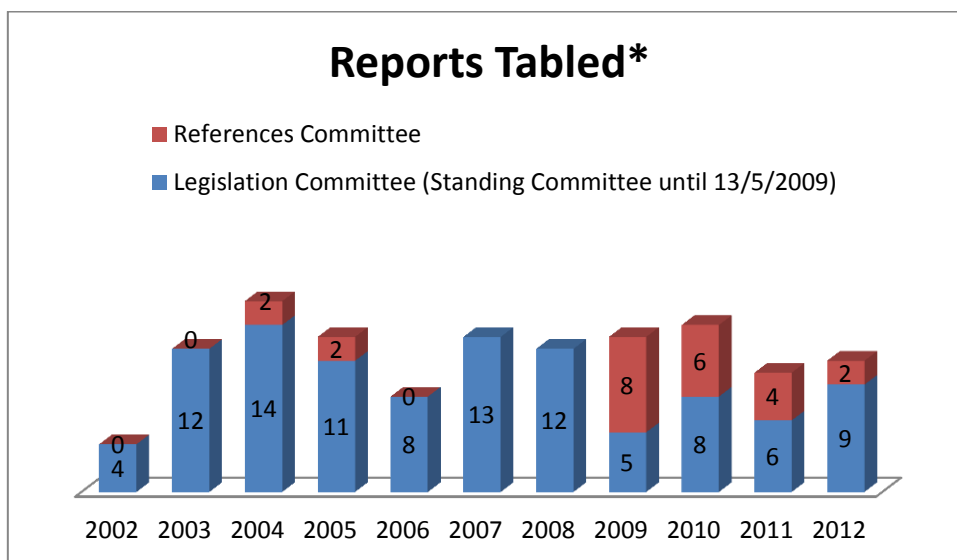
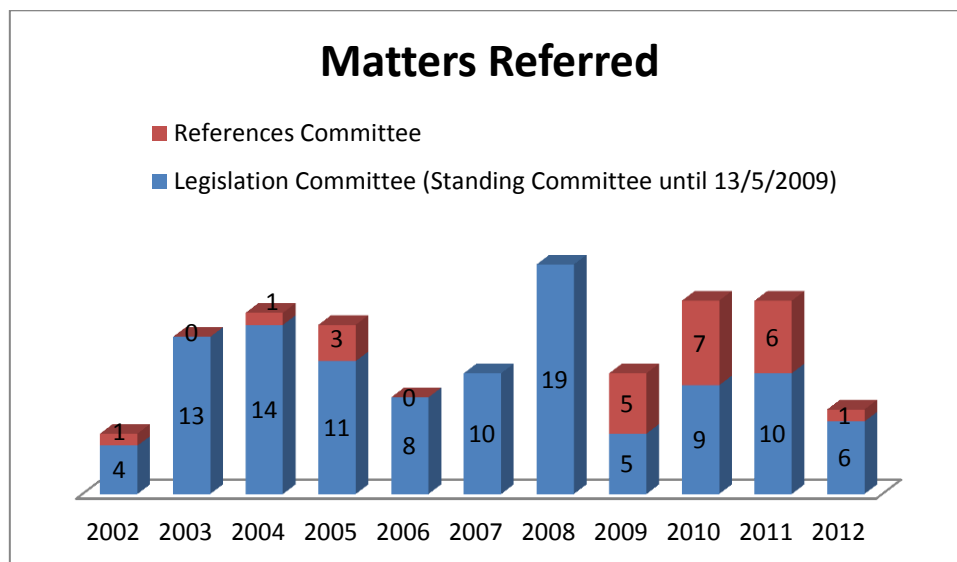
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**These figures only include tabled reports that discharged a reference*

Rural & Regional Affairs & Transport Legislation & References Committee

Matters Referred and Reports Tabled Annually
1/1/2002–30/06/2012



**These figures only include tabled reports that discharged a reference*

PART FOUR

Consolidated Statistical Overview

1 January 2012–30 June 2012

Statistical Overview of Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

1 January 2012–30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Legislation	19	68 (A)	70+2^+(3**) (B)	15
References	13	7 (A)	7+(5**) (B)	13
Joint/Select	13	5	6 + 2^+(5**)	10
Total	45	80	83+ 4^	38

Number and Hours of Meeting						
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/ Other
Legislation	45	52	505:42	140	30:36	0
References	25	0	0:00	63	18:43	7
Joint/Select	30	0	0:00	50	20:23	7
Total	100	52	505:42	253	69:42	14
					55:30	
						419
						1036:50

Meetings by State						
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	QLD
Legislation	2	8	0	0	0	0
References	3	3	0	3	6	2
Joint/Select	9	5	2	3	3	0
Total	14	16	2	6	9	2

Televised Hearings	Witnesses			Hansard pages			No of Submissions	No. of Pages	Government Responses
	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	92	3675	19	5688	1724	155	1871~	10390	5
References	18	0	345	0	0	1327	500	7085	18
Joint/Select	17	0	264	0	245	858	149	2258	6
Total	127	3675	628	5688	1969	2340	2520	19733	29

(A) 8 Annual Reports and 16 Estimates references; 43 Individual/Packages of Bills; 1 Legislation matter; 7 other references

(B) 8 Reports on Annual Reports; 16 Estimates Reports; 46 bills reports; 7 references reports

** Reports that did not discharge a reference

^ references finalised but not separately reported on

~ submission total does not include 74,971 form letters and short statements received by the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee for the Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010

PART FIVE

Statistics On

**2011–12 Additional Estimates
(February/March 2012)**

**2012–13 Budget Estimates
(May/June 2012)**

Statistics on 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February/March 2012) and 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May/June 2012)
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Community Affairs	2011-12 Additional Estimates (February/March 2012)	2012-13 Budget Estimates (May/June 2012)	Total
No. of public meetings	4 (15–17 February; 22 March 2012)	5 (28–31 May & 1 June 2012)	9
Hours by portfolio:			
– Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	07:15	14:45	22:00
– Health and Ageing	11:09	21:15	32:24
– Human Services	03:45	06:15	10:00
– Indigenous matters	06:51	06:45	13:36
Hours of public meetings	29:00	49:00	78:00

Economics	2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)	2012-13 Budget Estimates (May/June 2012)	Total
No. of public meetings	3 (15, 16 & 17 February 2012)	4 (28–31 May 2012)	7
Hours by portfolio:			
– Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	07:45	14:46	22:31
– Resources, Energy and Tourism	02:00	04:27	06:27
– Treasury	14:55	22:42	37:37
Hours of public meetings	24:40	41:55	66:35

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)	2012-13 Budget Estimates (May/June 2012)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (15 & 16 February 2012)	4 (28–31 May 2012)	6
Hours by portfolio:			
– Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	19:14	34:45	53:59
Hours of public meetings	19:14	34:45	53:59

Environment and Communications	2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)	2012-13 Budget Estimates (May/June 2012)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (13 & 14 February 2012)	4 (21–24 May 2012)	6
Hours by portfolio:			
– Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy	07:08	14:27	21:35
– Climate Change and Energy Efficiency	07:03	10:14	17:17
– Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	07:15	17:22	24:37
Hours of public meetings	21:26	42:03	63:29

Statistics on 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February/March 2012) and 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May/June 2012)
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Finance and Public Administration	2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)	2012-13 Budget Estimates (May/June 2012)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (13 & 14 February 2012)	4 (21–24 May 2012)	6
Hours by portfolio: – Finance and Deregulation – Parliament – Prime Minister and Cabinet	08:22 03:17 08:26	15:30 05:00 12:40	23:52 08:17 21:06
Hours of public meetings	20:05	33:10	53:15

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)	2012-13 Budget Estimates (May/June 2012)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (15 & 16 February 2012)	4 (28–31 May 2012)	6
Hours by portfolio: – Defence – Foreign Affairs and Trade – Veterans' Affairs	07:01 09:43 04:12	18:25 17:38 03:14	25:26 27:21 07:26
Hours of public meetings	20:56	39:17	60:13

Legal and Constitutional Affairs	2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)	2012-13 Budget Estimates (May/June 2012)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (13 & 14 February 2012)	4 (21–24 May 2012)	6
Hours by portfolio: – Attorney-General's – Immigration and Citizenship	10:37 10:39	19:43 21:28	30:20 32:07
Hours of public meetings	21:16	41:11	62:27

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport	2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)	2012-13 Budget Estimates (May/June 2012)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (13 & 14 February 2012)	4 (21–24 May 2012)	6
Hours by portfolio: – Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry – Infrastructure and Transport – Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts & Sport	11:20 06:30 04:45	21:36 10:10 09:35	32:56 16:40 14:20
Hours of public meetings	22:35	41:21	63:56

The number of days the committees met to consider estimates:

2011-12 Additional Estimates

6 days (13, 14, 15, 16, 17 February 2012 and 22 March 2012)

2012-13 Budget Estimates

9 days (21, 22, 23, 24 May; 28, 29, 30, 31 May; and 1 June 2012)

PART SIX

1 January 2012–30 June 2012

**Legislative and General Purpose
Standing Committees
administered by the
Senate Committee Office**

Community Affairs

Community Affairs

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Legislation	2	7	7	2
References	3	1	2	2
Total	5	8	9	4

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	10	45:02	9	20	7:37	0	0:00	39	133:20
References	7	32:05	0	19	11:14	0	0:00	26	43:19
Total	17	77:07	9	39	18:51	0	0:00	65	176:39

Meetings By State									
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD		
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	5	0		
References	1	0	0	0	0	5	1		
Total	1	0	0	0	0	10	1		

Witnesses								Hansard Pages			
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses		
Legislation	18	854	3	912	439	15	505	2060	0		
References	5	0	99	0	0	361	184	2049	2		
Total	23	854	102	912	439	376	689	4109	2		

* Includes referral of Annual reports x 1; estimates x 2

Community Affairs (Legislation)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Jan McLucas (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–01.07.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP) ¹	07.02.12–30.03.12
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP) ²	30.03.12–31.03.12
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) ³	25.11.11–14.03.12

¹ Replaced Senator Adams from 7 February 2012 to 30 March 2012

² Replaced Senator Adams from 30 March 2012 to 31 March 2012

³ Replaced Senator Carol Brown for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 2011, the Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2011 and the Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011

Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) ⁴	01.06.12–01.06.12
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP) ⁵	30.05.11–03.06.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP) ⁶	21.10.11–21.10.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	07.02.12–31.03.12
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.05.11–03.06.11
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	21.10.11–21.10.11
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	25.11.11–14.03.12
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

⁴ Replaced Senator Mark Furner on 1 June 2012

⁵ Replaced Senator Carol Brown from 30 May 2011 to 3 June 2011

⁶ Replaced Senator Carol Brown on 21 October 2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.11.2011 (SB)	06.02.2012—Canberra	19.03.2012	No
Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions], Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.11.2011 (SB)	20.02.2012—Ntaria (Hermannsburg) NT 21.02.2012—Alice Springs NT 22.02.2012—Maningrida NT 23.02.2012 & 24.02.2012—Darwin NT 01.03.2012—Canberra 06.03.2012—Canberra	14.03.2012	No
Annual reports	(Refer Standing Order 25(20))	Nil	No. 1 of 2012 (tabled 15.03.2012)	No

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support and Other Measures) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	09.02.2012 (SB)	Nil	19.03.2012	No
Additional estimates 2011–12	09.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 42</i>)	15–17 February 2012 & 22 March 2012—Canberra	presented OOS 29.03.2012; tabled 10.05.2012	No
Administration of Indigenous Business Australia in relation to certain evidence given to the Senate Community Affairs Committee	24.04.2012 (agreed to by the Committee in accordance with SO 25(2))	11.05.2012 - Canberra	Nil	Yes
Budget estimates 2012–13	09.05.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 4</i>)	28–31 May 2012 & 1 June 2012—Canberra	26.06.12	No
Low Aromatic Fuel Bill 2012	10.05.2012 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (2012 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	24.05.2012 (<i>pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2012</i>)	14.06.2012—Canberra	18.06.2012	No

Government Responses

- Nil

SB (*Selection of Bills Committee*)
OOS (*Out of session*)

Community Affairs (References)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–22.03.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–01.07.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) ¹	23.03.12–31.03.12
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP) ²	19.10.11–20.10.11
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS) ³	11.05.12–11.05.12

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	23.03.12–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	19.10.11–20.10.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	01.07.11–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	11.05.12–11.05.12
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

¹ Replaced Senator Adams from 23 March to 31 March 2012

² Replaced Senator Boyce 19 October 2011 to 20 October 2011

³ Replaced Senator McKenzie for the committee's inquiry into health services and medical professionals in rural areas on Friday, 11 May 2012

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Commonwealth contribution to former forced adoption policies	15.11.2010	Nil	Commonwealth contribution to former forced adoption policies and practices (tabled 29.02.2012)	No
The factors affecting the supply and distribution of health services and medical professionals in rural areas	13.10.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 12</i>)	20.02.2012—Alice Springs NT 24.02.2012—Darwin NT 23.04.2012—Townsville QLD 11.05.2012—Canberra 05.06.2012—Albury-Wodonga NSW	Nil	Yes
The provision of palliative care in Australia	23.11.2011 (Refer <i>Journal Entry 12</i>)	24.04.2012—Canberra	Nil	Yes

New References

01.01.2012–30.6.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
The role of the Government and the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) regarding medical devices, particularly Poly Implant Prothese (PIP) breast implants	08.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal Entry 15</i>)	09.05.2012—Canberra	Presented OOS 31.05.12; Tabled 18.06.12	No

Government Responses

- Gene patents (presented OOS 06.12.2011; tabled 07.02.2012; report tabled 26.11.2010)
- Consumer access to pharmaceutical benefits (presented OOS 22.02.2012; tabled 27.02.2012; report tabled 24.11.2010)
- Review of the Professional Services Review (PSR) Scheme (presented OOS 06.03.2012; tabled 13.03.2012; report tabled 25.10.2011)

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)

Economics

Economics

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Legislation	3	10	11 + 1^	1
References	0	2	0	2
Total	3	12	11 + 1^	3

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	5	7	65:45	14	1:21	0	0:00	26	94:28
References	0	0	0:00	3	0:39	0	0:00	3	0:39
Total	5	7	65:45	17	2:00	0	0:00	29	95:07

Meetings By State									
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD		
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
References	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

	Witnesses			Hansard Pages						
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
Legislation	12	327	98	0	802	306	0	108	1214	0
References	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	137	2398	2
Total	12	327	98	0	802	306	0	245	3612	2

* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; estimates x 2

^ denotes 2 bill references discharged by one report

Economics (Legislation)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members	Date of appointment
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) (<i>elected Chair 04.07.11</i>)	01.07.11
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair 07.07.11</i>) (<i>Deputy Chair 30.09.10–09.02.11</i>)	30.09.10
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) (<i>Deputy Chair 10.02.11–04.07.11</i>)	09.02.11
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Participating members	Date of appointment
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	09.02.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	19.06.12

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
<i>(Chair 30.09.10–30.06.11)</i>	
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10–09.02.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP) ¹	31.05.12–31.05.12
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) ²	28.05.12–30.05.12
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) ³	01.06.12–01.06.12
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP) ⁴	15.02.12–15.02.12
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP) ⁵	17.02.12–17.02.12
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG) ⁶	19.06.12–25.06.12
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP) ⁷	15.02.12–15.02.12
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP) ⁸	16.02.12–16.02.12
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP) ⁹	28.05.12–01.06.12

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
<i>(Acting Chair 28–31 May 2012 during 2012–13 Budget Estimates)</i>	
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

¹ Replaced Senator Urquhart for the consideration of the 2012–13 Budget estimates on 31 May 2012

² Replaced Senator Urquhart for the consideration of the 2012–12 Budget estimates from 28 May to 30 May 2012

³ Replaced Senator Urquhart for the consideration of the 2012–12 Budget estimates on 1 June 2012

⁴ Replaced Senator Urquhart from 9am to 3pm for the consideration of the 2011–12 additional estimates on 15 February 2012

⁵ Replaced Senator Urquhart for the consideration of the 2011–12 additional estimates on 17 February 2012

⁶ Replaced Senator Xenophon for the committee's inquiry into the Clean Energy Finance Corporation Bill 2012

⁷ Replaced Senator Urquhart from 3pm for the consideration of the 2011–12 additional estimates on 15 February 2012

⁸ Replaced Senator Urquhart for the consideration of the 2011–12 additional estimates on 16 February 2012

⁹ Replaced Senator Bishop for the consideration of the 2012–13 Budget estimates from 28 May to 1 June 2012

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled
Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	22.09.2011 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 07.12.2011; tabled 07.02.2012

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2012
Annual reports	(Refer Standing Order 25(20))	Nil	No. 1 of 2012 tabled 15.03.2012	No
Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; and Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	03.11.2011 (SB) 25.11.2011 (SB)	23.02.2012—Canberra 24.02.2012—Canberra	14.03.2012	No

Minerals Resource Rent Tax Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Assessment Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Tax Laws Amendment (Stronger, Fairer, Simpler and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-General) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Customs) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Excise) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-General) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Customs) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Excise) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	10.11.2011 (SB)	21.02.2012—Canberra 22.02.2012—Canberra	14.03.2012	No
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New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Additional estimates 2011–12	09.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 42</i>)	15–17 February 2012— Canberra	20.03.2012	No
Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Shipping Registration Amendment (Australian International Shipping Register) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Shipping Reform (Tax Incentives) Bill 2012 [Provisions], and the Tax Laws Amendment (Shipping Reform) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.12 (SB)	15.05.2012—Canberra	Presented OOS 15.06.12; tabled 18.06.12	No
National Vocational Education and Training Regulator (Charges) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	Nil	10.05.2012	No
Corporations Amendment (Phoenixing and Other Measures) Bill 2012	22.03.2012 (SB)	Nil	09.05.2012	No

Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

Budget estimates 2012–13	09.05.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 4</i>)	28–31 May 2012—Canberra	26.06.2012	No	
Clean Energy Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions], Clean Energy (Customs Tariff Amendment) Bill 2012 [Provisions], Clean Energy (Excise Tariff Legislation Amendment) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	23.05.2012 (<i>pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2012</i>)	Nil	18.06.2012	No	
Tax Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No.3) Bill 2012 [Provisions], Income Tax (Seasonal Labour Mobility Program Withholding Tax) Bill 2012 [Provisions], Tax Laws Amendment (Income Tax Rates) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	24.05.2012 (<i>pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2012</i>)	Nil	18.06.2012	No	
Clean Energy Finance Corporation Bill 2012	19.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	25.06.2012	No	
Tax Laws Amendment (Cross- Border Transfer Pricing) Bill (No.1) 2012 [Provisions]	19.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes	

Government Responses

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)*

Economics (References)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) (<i>elected Chair 07.07.11</i>) (<i>Chair 30.09.10–09.02.11</i>)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair 07.07.11</i>)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) (<i>Chair 10.02.11–07.07.11</i>)	09.02.11
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glen Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10</i>)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10–09.02.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	06.10.11–06.10.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	06.10.11–06.10.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ¹	06.10.11–06.10.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP) ²	03.03.11–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP) ³	06.10.11–06.10.11

Former subcommittee members⁴

Term of appointment

Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) (<i>elected Chair on 10.02.11</i>)	10.02.11–06.05.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	10.02.11–06.05.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 10.02.11</i>)	10.02.11–06.05.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	10.02.11–06.05.11
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	10.02.11–06.05.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	10.02.11–06.05.11

¹ Replaced Senator Williams for the committee's inquiry into the impacts of supermarket price decisions on the dairy industry on 6 October 2011

² Replaced Senator Pratt for the committee's inquiry into the impacts of supermarket price decisions on the dairy industry

³ Replaced Senator Eggleston for the committee's inquiry into the impacts of supermarket price decisions on the dairy industry on 06.10.11

⁴ Inquiry into competition within the Australian banking sector

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

Nil

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
An examination of recent developments in the banking sector arising out of the impact of the global financial crisis and subsequent events	14.03.2012	Nil	Nil	Yes
Review of changes to car fringe benefits arrangements	29.06.2012 (<i>see resolution of the Senate 23.06.2011, Journal entry 57</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Milking it for all it's worth: Competition and pricing in the Australian dairy industry (presented OOS 03.02.2012; tabled 07.02.2012; report tabled 13.05.2010)
- Impacts of supermarket price decisions on the dairy industry (presented OOS 03.02.2012; tabled 07.02.2012; report tabled 03.11.2011)

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)*

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference **	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Legislation	3	8	10	1
References	2	1	1 + (1**)	2
Total	5	9	11	3

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	5	21:18	6	55:15	23	0	1:56	34	78:29
References	6	40:21	0	0:00	9	0	0:27	15	40:48
Total	11	61:39	6	55:15	32	0	2:23	49	119:17

Meetings By State									
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD		
Legislation	0	4	0	0	0	0	0		
References	0	1	0	0	2	0	1		
Total	0	5	0	0	2	0	1		

Witnesses							Hansard Pages			
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses	
Legislation	755	57	0	588	193	0	90	1369	0	
References	0	0	70	0	0	291	75	762	2	
Total	755	57	70	588	193	291	165	2131	2	

* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; estimates x 2

** Includes 1 Interim report

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (Legislation)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	23.08.11
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	23.08.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10

Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10–23.08.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ¹	22.03.12–24.04.12
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG) ²	24.08.11–15.09.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	22.03.12–24.04.12
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	24.08.11–15.09.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

¹ Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012 and related bills

² Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment (Fair Protection for Firefighters) Bill 2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection Service and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions], the Education Services for Overseas Students (TPS Levies) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Tuition Protection Service) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	13.10.2011 (SB)	02.02.2012—Melbourne	27.02.2012	No
Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	10.11.2011 (SB)	03.02.2012—Melbourne	29.02.2012	No
Fair Work Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industry) Bill 2011	25.11.2011 (SB)	02.02.2012—Melbourne	27.02.2012	No
Annual reports	(Refer Standing Order 25(20))	Nil	No. 1 of 2012 tabled 15.03.2012	No

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Additional estimates 2011–12	09.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 42</i>)	15 and 16 February 2012— Canberra	20.03.2012	No
Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions]	01.03.2012 (SB)	18.04.2012—Melbourne	10.05.2012	No
Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Shipping Registration Amendment (Australian International Shipping Register) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Shipping Reform (Tax Incentives) Bill 2012 [Provisions], and the Tax Laws Amendment (Shipping Reform) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	Nil	presented OOS 24.04.2012; tabled 10.05.2012	No
Skills Australia Amendment (Australian Workforce and Productivity Agency) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	Nil	10.05.2012	No
Budget estimates 2012–13	09.05.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 4</i>)	28–31 May 2012—Canberra	26.06.2012	No

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2012
Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions]	19.06.2012 (SB)	22.06.2012—Canberra	25.06.2012	No
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Fair Incentives to Work) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	19.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

Nil

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (References)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	24.11.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	23.08.11
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	23.08.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	24.11.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10

Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10–23.08.11
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10–24.11.10
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11

Former substitute member

Term of appointment

Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)¹

23.08.11–25.11.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)

30.09.10–31.03.12

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)

30.09.10–23.11.10

Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)

30.09.10–15.06.12

Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)

30.09.10–22.08.11

Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)

01.07.11–05.07.11

Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)

01.07.11–23.08.11

Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)

07.02.12–01.06.12

Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)

23.08.11–25.11.11

Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

¹ Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into the administration and purchasing of disability employment services in Australia

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Higher education and skills training to support future demand in agriculture and agribusiness in Australia	19.09.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 17</i>)	01.02.2012—Canberra 26.03.2012—Perth 15.05.2012—Melbourne	Interim Report presented OOS 08.06.2012, tabled 18.06.2012; Final Report—All aspects of higher education and skills training to support future demand in agriculture and agribusiness in Australia, tabled 21.06.2012	No
Infrastructure delivery and the shortage of engineering and related employment skills	07.11.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 10</i>)	27.03.2012—Perth 28.03.2012—Brisbane 07.05.2012—Canberra	Nil	Yes

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
The adequacy of the allowance payment system for jobseekers and others, the appropriateness of the allowance payment system as a support into work and the impact of the changing nature of the labour market (for inquiry and report by 1.11.2012)	26.06.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 17</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- The administration and purchasing of disability employment services in Australia (presented OOS 17.02.2012; tabled 27.02.2012; report tabled 25.11.2011)
- Primary Schools for the 21st Century Program (tabled 27.06.12; report tabled 25.03.11)

Environment and Communications

Environment and Communications

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Legislation	2	9	10	1
References	0	0	0	0
Total	2	9	10	1

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	5	19:13	6	17	63:29	0	1:49	28	84:31
References	0	0:00	0	1	0:00	0	0:01	1	0:01
Total	5	19:13	6	18	63:29	0	1:50	29	84:32

Meetings By State							
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	25	0	3	0	0	0	0
References	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	26	0	3	0	0	0	0

Witnesses						Hansard Pages			
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
Legislation	9	398	74	0	733	214	128	871	0
References	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	9	398	74	0	733	214	128	871	1

* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; estimates x 2

Environment and Communications (Legislation)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10

Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11–05.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ¹	23.03.11–15.06.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ²	22.03.12–01.05.12
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ³	22.03.12–04.05.12
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG) ⁴	13.10.11–07.11.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ⁵	03.03.11–15.06.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	03.03.11–15.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	23.03.11–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	13.10.11–07.11.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	22.03.12–01.05.12
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	22.03.12–04.05.12

¹ Replaced Senator Troeth for the committee's inquiry into the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Bioregional Plans) Bill 2011

² Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into the National Water Commission Amendment Bill 2012

³ Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into the Broadcasting Services Amendment (Anti-siphoning) Bill 2012

⁴ Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Australian Renewable Energy Agency Bill 2011 and a related bill

⁵ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Bioregional Plans) Bill 2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency Bill 2011 [Provisions], the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Universal Service Reform) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Telecommunications (Industry Levy) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	03.11.2011 (SB)	02.02.2012—Melbourne	Presented OOS 24.02.2012; tabled 27.02.2012	No
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Emergency Listings) Bill 2011	10.11.2011 (SB)	03.02.2012—Melbourne	01.03.2012	No
Annual reports	(<i>Refer Standing Order 25(20)</i>)	Nil	No. 1 of 2012 tabled 15.03.2012	No

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Telecommunications Amendment (Mobile Phone Towers) Bill 2011	09.02.2012 (SB)	12.04.2012—Canberra	10.05.2012	No
Additional estimates 2011–12	09.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 42</i>)	13 and 14 February 2012—Canberra	20.03.2012	No

Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

Broadcasting Services Amendment (Anti-siphoning) Bill 2012	22.03.2012 (SB)	13.04.2012—Canberra	presented OOS 04.05.2012; tabled 10.05.2012	No
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	7.06.2012—Canberra	20.06.2012	No
National Water Commission Amendment Bill 2012	22.03.2012 (SB)	Nil	presented OOS 01.05.2012; tabled 10.05.2012	No
Budget estimates 2012–13	09.05.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 4</i>)	21–24 May 2012—Canberra	26.06.2012	No
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Improved Access to Television Services) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	19.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	25.06.12	No
Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Bill 2012 [Provisions] and Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards (Registration Fees) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	21.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

Nil

SB (*Selection of Bills Committee*)
OOS (*Out of session*)

Environment and Communications (References)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 07.07.11)</i>	04.07.11
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10

Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) (<i>Deputy Chair 30.09.10</i>)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11–05.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11–04.07.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG) ¹	11.05.11–22.09.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG) ²	07.07.11–22.09.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ³	22.08.11–13.10.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	11.05.11–05.07.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	07.07.11–13.10.11

¹ Replaced Senator Ludlam on the committee's inquiry into the status, health and sustainability of the koala population

² Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into the status, health and sustainability of the koala population

³ Replaced Senators Waters for the committee's inquiry into programming decisions made by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

Nil

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

Nil

Government Responses

- Forestry and mining operations on the Tiwi Islands (presented OOS 19.12.2011; tabled 07.02.2012; report tabled 29.10.2009)
- Living with salinity: A report on progress: The extent and economic impact of salinity in Australia (presented OOS 12.04.2012; tabled 10.05.2012; report tabled 28.03.2006)

Finance and Public Administration

Finance and Public Administration

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference **	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Legislation	1	7	6 +(1**)	2
References	1	0	1	0
Total	2	7	7	2

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	3	6	53:00	21	8:04	0	0:00	30	70:24
References	1	0	0:00	3	0:26	0	0:00	4	2:34
Total	4	6	53:00	24	8:30	0	0:00	34	72:58

Meetings By State									
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD		
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
References	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

Hansard Pages									
Witnesses					Hansard Pages				
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General		Estimates	Bills	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages
Legislation	404	19	16		534	51	140	438	1244
References	0	0	4		0	0	25	17	268
Total	404	19	20		534	51	165	455	1512
									Government Responses
									4
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* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; estimates x 2

** includes 1 Interim report

Finance and Public Administration (Legislation)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP) (<i>elected Chair on 30.09.10</i>)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 07.07.11</i>)	01.07.11
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Arthur Sinodinos (NSW, LP)	09.02.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	27.10.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	09.02.12
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10

Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	07.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10–27.10.10
<i>(Deputy Chair 30.09.10–27.10.10)</i>	
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	27.10.10–01.07.11
<i>(Deputy Chair 28.10.10–01.07.11)</i>	
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–07.07.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	07.07.11–09.02.12

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP) ¹	22.03.12–10.05.12
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP) ²	22.03.12–10.05.12
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) ³ (Chair from 18.10.10–19.10.10)	18.10.10–19.10.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ⁴	25.10.10–05.07.11
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP) ⁵	18.10.10–19.10.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP) ⁶	17.10.11–18.10.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG) ⁷	07.07.11–06.10.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	07.07.11–06.11.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	22.03.10–10.05.12
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	22.03.12–10.05.12
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	25.10.10–06.10.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

¹ Replaced Senator Ryan for the committee's inquiry into the Health Insurance (Dental Services) Bill 2012 [No. 2]
² Replaced Senator Ryan for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the National Health Reform Amendment (Administrator and National Health Funding Body) Bill 2012
³ Replaced Senator Polley from 18 to 19 October 2010
⁴ Replaced Senator Siewert for the committee's inquiry into the exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation
⁵ Replaced Senator Stephens from 18 to 19 October 2010
⁶ Replaced Senator Stephens on 17 October and 18 October 2011
⁷ Replaced Senator Di Natale for the committee's inquiry into the exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
The performance of the Department of Parliamentary Services	23.06.2011	02.05.12—Canberra	Interim report (tabled 27.06.12)	Yes
Annual reports	(<i>Refer Standing Order 25(20)</i>)	Nil	No. 1 of 2012 (tabled 15.03.2012)	No

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012	09.02.2012 (SB)	Nil	27.02.2012	No
Additional estimates 2011–12	09.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 42</i>)	13 and 14 February 2012—Canberra	20.03.2012	No
Health Insurance (Dental Services) Bill 2012 [No. 2]	22.03.2012 (SB)	01.05.2012—Canberra	10.05.2012	No
National Health Reform Amendment (Administrator and National Health Funding Body) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	01.05.2012—Canberra	10.05.2012	No

Budget estimates 2012–13	09.05.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 4</i>)	21–24 May 2012—Canberra	26.06.2012	No
Government Investment Funds Amendment (Ethical Investments) Bill 2011	21.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Reports on annual reports—No. 2 of 2009 (presented OOS 24.01.2012; tabled 07.02.2012; report tabled 09.09.2009)
- Examination of annual reports no. 1 of 2008 (tabled 13.03.2012; report tabled 20.03.2008)
- Exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation: Part 1—Australian privacy principles (tabled 10.05.2012; report tabled 15.06.2011)
- Exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation: Part 2—Credit reporting (tabled 10.05.2012; report tabled 06.10.2011)

Finance and Public Administration (References)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Chair 01.07.11)</i>	01.07.11
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Arthur Sinodinos (NSW, LP)	09.02.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	27.10.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	09.02.12
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	07.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP) (Chair 30.09.10–27.10.10)	30.09.10–27.10.10
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	07.07.11–09.02.12
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP) (Chair 28.10.10–01.07.11)	27.10.10–01.07.11
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–07.07.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) ¹ (Deputy Chair 04.05.11–05.05.11)	04.05.11–05.05.11
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) ²	07.02.12–01.03.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP) ³	03.05.11–06.05.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	07.02.12–01.03.12
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	03.05.11–06.05.11
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

¹ Replaced Senator Stephens from 4–5 May 2011

² Replaced Senator Di Natale for the committee's inquiry into the operation of the Lobbying Code of Conduct and the Lobbyist Register

³ Replaced Senator Polley from 3–6 May 2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
The operation of the <i>Lobbying Code of Conduct</i> and the Lobbyist Register	24.11.2011	21.02.2012—Canberra	01.03.2012	No

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

Nil

Government Responses

- Native vegetation laws, greenhouse gas abatement and climate change measures (presented OOS 16.01.2012; tabled 07.02.2012; report tabled 30.04.2010)
- Administration of health practitioner registration by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (presented OOS 19.01.2012; tabled 07.02.2012; report tabled 03.06.2011)

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)*

**Foreign Affairs, Defence
and Trade**

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Legislation	1	4	3	2
References	2	1	0	3
Total	3	5	3	5

Number and Hours of Meeting						
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Total Hours
Legislation	2	4:03	6	7	3:26	68:58
References	2	11:40	0	8	2:21	39:31
Total	4	15:43	6	15	5:47	108:29

Meetings By State						
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	QLD
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	0	0	0	3	4	0
Total	0	0	0	3	4	0

Witnesses						Hansard Pages		
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages
Legislation	6	404	0	654	71	0	18	72
References	2	0	27	0	0	108	46	1000
Total	8	404	27	654	71	108	64	1072

* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; estimates x 2

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Legislation)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)
(elected Chair on 07.07.11)
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)
(elected Deputy Chair on 07.07.11)
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)
(Chair 29.09.10–07.07.11)
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)
(elected Chair 28–31 May 2012 during 2012–13 Budget Estimates)

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Substitute members

Date of appointment

Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)¹

29.06.12

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)

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¹ Replaces Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Military Court of Australia Bill 2012 and related bill

Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	07.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	29.06.12
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	29.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	29.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	29.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
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Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	29.09.10–07.07.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
<i>(Deputy Chair 29.09.10–30.06.11)</i>	

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) ²	28.05.12–31.05.12
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP) ³	28.05.12–31.05.12
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) ⁴	18.10.11–21.10.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG) ⁵	07.07.11–18.08.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	29.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	29.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	07.07.11–18.08.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	18.10.11–21.10.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11

² Replaced Senator Stephens for the consideration of the 2012–13 Budget estimates from 28 May to 31 May 2012

³ Replaced Senator Bishop for the consideration of the 2012–13 Budget estimates from 28 May to 31 May 2012

⁴ Replaced Senator Stephens from 18.10.2011 to 21.10.2011

⁵ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Veterans' Entitlements Amendment Bill 2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Defence Trade Controls Bill 2011 [Provisions]	10.11.2011 (SB)	02.03.12—Canberra 21.03.12—Canberra	Nil	Yes
Annual reports	(Refer Standing Order 25(20))	Nil	No. 1 of 2012 (tabled 15.03.2012)	No

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.12

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.12</i>
Additional estimates 2011–12	09.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 42</i>)	15 and 16 February 2012— Canberra	20.03.2012	No
Budget estimates 2012–13	09.05.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 4</i>)	28–31 May 2012—Canberra	26.06.2012	No
Military Court of Australia Bill 2012 [Provisions] and the Military Court of Australia (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	28.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)*

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (References)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 07.07.11)</i>	07.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 07.07.11)</i>	01.07.11
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP) <i>(Chair 29.09.10–07.07.11)</i>	29.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) <i>(Deputy Chair 29.09.10–07.07.11)</i>	29.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	29.09.10

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins (VIC, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	07.07.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	29.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	29.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	05.09.12
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	29.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11–07.07.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	29.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10-15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	29.09.10-22.08.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	29.09.10-30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	29.09.10-30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10-30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	29.09.10-30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	29.09.10-30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10-30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12-01.06.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10-30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	29.09.10-30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	29.09.10-30.06.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Procurement procedures for Defence capital projects	09.02.2011	12.06.2012 & 13.06.2012— Canberra	Interim report (presented OOS 30.11.2011; tabled 07.02.2012) Preliminary report (presented OOS 15.12.2011; tabled 07.02.2012)	Yes
The importance of the Indian Ocean rim for Australia's foreign, trade and defence policy	24.11.2011	Nil	Nil	Yes

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
The administration, management and objectives of Australia's overseas development programs in Afghanistan in the context of the 'Transition Decade'	28.06.12 (refer <i>Journal entry 12</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Defence's request for tender for aviation contracts (tabled 09.02.2012; report tabled 25.08.2011)
- Part II: Incidents onboard HMAS Success between March and May 2009 and subsequent events (tabled 09.02.2012; report tabled 22.09.2011)

Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Legal and Constitutional Affairs

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference **	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Legislation	3	17	14 (+1**)	6
References	1	1	1 (+1**)	1
Total	4	18	15	7

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	12	28:22	6	17	62:27	0	3:04	35	93:53
References	1	3:30	0	6	0:00	0	0:26	7	3:56
Total	13	31:52	6	23	62:27	0	3:30	42	97:49

Meetings By State							
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
References	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	1	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses			Hansard Pages			No of Submissions ^	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills			
Legislation	18	134	128	0	694	311	532	3079	0
References	1	0	0	12	0	0	34	445	3
Total	19	134	128	12	694	311	566	3524	3

* includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; estimates x 2

** includes 2 Interim reports

^ submission figure does not include 67,462 form letters and 7,509 short statements for the Marriage Equality Amendment Bill

Legal and Constitutional Affairs (Legislation)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) (<i>elected Chair on 30.09.10</i>)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 06.07.11</i>)	01.07.11
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ¹	19.06.12

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10

¹ Replaces Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Slavery, Slavery-like Conditions and People Trafficking) Bill 2012

Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	19.06.12
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
(Deputy Chair 30.09.10–30.06.11)	
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11

Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP) 30.09.10–01.07.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG) ²	18.08.11–19.09.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) ³	03.03.11–04.05.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁴	25.10.10–01.03.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁵	25.10.10–28.01.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁶	27.10.10–12.05.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁷	12.05.11–29.06.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁸	15.06.11–05.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁹	07.07.11–18.08.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ¹⁰	08.11.11–21.11.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ¹¹	25.11.11–04.04.12
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ¹²	09.02.12–04.04.12
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ¹³	27.02.12–25.06.12
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ¹⁴	22.03.12–19.06.12
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ¹⁵	08.11.11–09.02.12
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ¹⁶	01.03.12–22.03.12
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP) ¹⁷	17.10.11–18.10.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ¹⁸	28.02.11–05.07.11

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- ² Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Trade Marks Amendment (Tobacco Plain Packaging) Bill 2011
- ³ Replaced Senator Furner on the committee's inquiry into the Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Amendment (Disallowance and Amendment Power of the Commonwealth) Bill 2010
- ⁴ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Sex and Age Discrimination Legislation Amendment Bill 2010
- ⁵ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Bill 2010 and a related bill
- ⁶ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the Commonwealth Commissioner for Children and Young People Bill 2010
- ⁷ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test and Other Provisions) Bill 2011
- ⁸ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the Migration Amendment (Detention Reform and Procedural Fairness) Bill 2010
- ⁹ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Migration Amendment (Detention Reform and Procedural Fairness) Bill 2010
- ¹⁰ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Deterring People Smuggling Bill 2011
- ¹¹ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Crimes Amendment (Fairness for Minors) Bill 2011
- ¹² Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Migration Amendment (Removal of Mandatory Minimum Penalties) Bill 2012
- ¹³ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010
- ¹⁴ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Migration Legislation Amendment (Student Visas) Bill 2012
- ¹⁵ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Online Games) Bill 2011
- ¹⁶ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (R 18+ Computer Games) Bill 2012
- ¹⁷ Replaced Senator Boyce 17.10.11–18.10.11
- ¹⁸ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010

Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ¹⁹	12.05.11–05.07.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ²⁰	07.07.11–21.09.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ²¹	07.07.11–09.11.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ²²	07.07.11–22.08.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	03.03.11–04.05.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ²³	25.10.10–01.03.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	28.02.11–05.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	12.05.11–05.07.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	07.07.11–18.08.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	18.08.11–19.09.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	08.11.11–21.11.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	08.11.11–22.03.12
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	01.03.12–22.03.12
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	25.11.11–04.04.12
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	09.02.12–04.04.12
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	27.02.12–25.06.12
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	22.03.12–19.06.12

¹⁹ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill 2011

²⁰ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010

²¹ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill 2011

²² Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Family Law Legislation Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2011

²³ Senator Ludlam was a participating member for the duration of the inquiry into the provisions of the Sex and Age Discrimination Legislation Amendment Bill 2010 which tabled on 01.03.11. He commenced as a participating member for the committee's inquiry into the Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010 on 28.02.11.

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Online Games) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	03.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	09.02.2012	No
Access to Justice (Federal Jurisdiction) Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.11.2011 (SB)	01.03.2012—Canberra	presented OOS 29.03.2012; tabled 10.05.2012	No
Crimes Amendment (Fairness for Minors) Bill 2011	25.11.2011 (SB)	16.03.2012—Canberra	presented OOS 04.04.2012; tabled 10.05.2012	No
Annual reports	(<i>Refer Standing Order 25(20)</i>)	Nil	No. 1 of 2012 tabled 15.03.2012	No

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010	08.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 16</i>)	03.05.2012—Sydney 04.05.2012—Melbourne	Interim Report presented OOS 31.05.2012, tabled 18.06.2012; Final report tabled 25.06.2012.	No
Migration Amendment (Removal of Mandatory Minimum Penalties) Bill 2012	09.02.2012 (SB)	16.03.2012—Canberra	presented OOS 04.04.2012; tabled 10.05.2012	No
Additional estimates 2011–12	09.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 42</i>)	13 and 14 February 2012—Canberra	20.03.2012	No
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (R 18+ Computer Games) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	01.03.2012 (SB)	15.03.2012—Canberra	22.03.2012	No
Courts Legislation Amendment (Judicial Complaints) Bill 2012 [Provisions] and the Judicial Misbehaviour and Incapacity (Parliamentary Commissions) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	11.05.2012—Canberra 25.05.2012—Canberra	Nil	Yes
Assisting Victims of Overseas Terrorism Bill 2012; Social Security Amendment (Supporting Australian Victims of Terrorism Overseas) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	19.04.2012—Canberra	10.05.2012	No

Judges and Governors-General Legislation Amendment (Family Law) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	Nil	10.05.2012	No
Migration Legislation Amendment (Student Visas) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	11.05.2012—Canberra	19.06.2012	No
Budget estimates 2012–13	09.05.2012 (Refer Journal entry 4)	21–24 May 2012—Canberra	26.06.2012	No
Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions]	23.05.2012 (pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2012)	08.06.2012—Canberra	19.06.2012	No
Australian Human Rights Commission Amendment (National Children's Commissioner) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	23.05.2012 (pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2012)	08.06.2012—Canberra	18.06.2012	No
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Slavery, Slavery-like Conditions and People Trafficking) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	19.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	19.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Maritime Powers Bill 2012 [Provisions] and Maritime Powers (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	21.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2012
Military Court of Australia Bill 2012 [Provisions] and the Military Court of Australia (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	28.06.2012 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Customs Amendment (Smuggled Tobacco) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	28.06.2012(SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

Nil

Legal and Constitutional Affairs (References)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 03.11.11)</i>	05.07.11
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	18.08.11
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) <i>(Chair 06.07.11–03.11.11)</i>	01.07.11

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10

Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	18.08.11
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
(Chair 30.09.10–30.06.11)	
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–18.08.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) ¹	23.09.11–23.09.11
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Replaced Senator Furner on 23 September 2011

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ²	10.05.11–10.06.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ³	22.08.11–11.10.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10–18.08.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	23.09.11–23.09.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	10.05.11–10.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	22.08.11–11.10.11

² Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the *Water Act 2007* relating to the development of a Basin Plan

³ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the agreement between Australia and Malaysia in relation to asylum seekers

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Prospective marriage visas	24.11.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 17</i>)	25.05.2012—Canberra	Interim Report presented OOS 07.06.12, tabled 18.06.12 Final Report tabled 26.06.12	No

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Detention of Indonesian minors in Australia	10.05.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 10</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Review of government compensation payments (presented OOS 29.11.2011; tabled 07.02.2012; report tabled 06.12.2010)
- Final report—A balancing act: provisions of the *Water Act 2007* (presented OOS 27.03.2012; tabled 10.05.2012; report tabled 10.06.2011)
- International parental child abduction to and from Australia (presented OOS 30.03.2012; tabled 10.05.2012; report tabled 31.10.2011)
- Australia's arrangement with Malaysia in relation to asylum seekers (presented OOS 13.06.12; tabled 18.06.2012, report tabled 11.10.2011)

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)*

Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference **	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Legislation	4	6	9+1^+(1**)	0
References	4	1	2 + (3**)	3
Total	8	7	11 + 1^	3

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	3	11:51	6	63:36	21	0	3:19	30	78:46
References	8	45:16	0	0:00	14	0	3:09	22	48:25
Total	11	57:07	6	63:36	35	0	6:28	52	127:11

Meetings By State									
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD		
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
References	2	2	0	0	0	0	0		
Total	2	2	0	0	0	0	0		

Hansard Pages									
Witnesses					Hansard Pages				
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
Legislation	399	40	0	771	139	0	52	481	1
References	0	0	133	0	0	510	7	163	4
Total	399	40	133	771	139	510	59	644	5

* includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; estimates x 2

** includes 4 Interim reports

^ 1 report discharged 2 bill references

Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport (Legislation)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	27.06.12

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	09.02.11
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10

Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	09.02.11–30.06.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11–27.06.12

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) ¹	04.11.11–04.11.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ²	10.05.11–23.06.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ³	13.02.12–13.02.12
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ⁴	19.09.11–02.11.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ⁵	25.11.11–27.02.12
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP) ⁶	25.08.11–22.03.12
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ⁷	18.08.11–22.03.12
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ⁸	03.11.11–22.03.12
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ⁹	01.03.12–30.05.12
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP) ¹⁰	13.02.12–14.02.12
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP) ¹¹	09.05.12–18.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS) ¹²	14.02.12–14.02.12

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	10.05.11–23.06.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	25.08.11–22.03.12
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	18.08.11–22.03.12
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	03.11.11–22.03.12

¹ Replaced Senator Urquhart on 04.11.2011

² Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into the exposure draft and explanatory memorandum of the Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011

³ Replaced Senator Nash for the consideration of the 2011-12 additional estimates on 13 February 2012

⁴ Replaced Senator Heffernan on the committee's inquiry into the Quarantine Amendment (Disallowing Permits) Bill 2011

⁵ Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011

⁶ Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into the Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011

⁷ Replaced Senator Siewert for the committee's inquiry into the Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011

⁸ Replaced Senator Siewert for the committee's inquiry into the Qantas Sale Amendment (Still Call Australia Home) Bill 2011

⁹ Replaced Senator Siewert for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Screening) Bill 2012

¹⁰ Replaced Senator Urquhart for the consideration of the 2011–12 additional estimates on 13 and 14 February 2012

¹¹ Replaced Senator Urquhart until 30 June 2012; discharged on 18.06.2012

¹² Replaced Senator Nash for the consideration of the 2011-12 additional estimates on 14 February 2012

Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	01.03.12–30.05.12
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12–27.06.12
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	04.11.11–04.11.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	09.05.13–18.06.12
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011, and Qantas Sale Amendment (Still Call Australia Home) Bill 2011	18.08.2011 (SB) 15.09.2011 (SB)	06.02.2012—Canberra	22.03.2012	No
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Protecting Australia's Water Resources) Bill 2011	10.11.2011 (SB)	07.02.2012—Canberra	27.02.2012	No
Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	27.02.2012	No
Annual reports	(Refer Standing Order 25(20))	Nil	No. 1 of 2012 tabled 15.03.2012	No

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2012
Additional estimates 2011–12	09.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 42</i>)	13 and 14 February 2012— Canberra	22.03.2012	No
Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Screening) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	01.03.2012 (SB)	Nil	Interim Report presented OOS 18.05.2012; tabled 18.06.2012; Final Report Presented OOS 30.05.2012, tabled 18.06.2012	No
Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	Nil	18.06.2012	No
Wheat Export Marketing Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (SB)	14.05.2012—Canberra	25.06.2012	No
Budget estimates 2012–13	09.05.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 4</i>)	21–24 May 2012—Canberra	26.06.2012	No

Government Responses

- Exposure draft and explanatory memorandum of the Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011 (presented OOS 25.11.2011; tabled 07.02.2012; report tabled 23.06.2011)
- Airports Amendment Bill 2010 (tabled 13.03.2012; report tabled 18.11.2010)

SB (*Selection of Bills Committee*)
OOS (*Out of session*)

Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport (References)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	27.06.12

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	09.05.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	25.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	09.02.11–30.06.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11–27.06.12

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ¹	24.03.11–24.03.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ²	29.11.11–29.11.11

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Replaced Senator Heffernan on 24 March 2011

Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP) ³	29.11.11–29.11.11
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) ⁴	17.02.12–17.02.12
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) ⁵	17.02.12–17.02.12
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ⁶	16.06.11–23.11.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ⁷	24.03.11–16.04.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS) ⁸	09.02.12–09.02.12

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10–31.03.12
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10–15.06.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	24.03.11–24.03.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	29.11.11–29.11.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	09.02.11–30.06.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	24.03.11–16.04.12
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	29.11.11–29.11.11
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	09.02.12–09.02.12
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12–27.06.12
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

² Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into biosecurity and quarantine arrangements on 29 November 2011

³ Replaced Senator Nash for the committee's inquiry into biosecurity and quarantine arrangements on 29 November 2011

⁴ Replaced Senator Nash on 17 February 2012 from 2pm to 5.45pm for the committee's inquiry into the Foreign Investment Review Board national interest test

⁵ Replaced Senator Nash on 17 February 2012 from 9am to 2pm for the committee's inquiry into the Foreign Investment Review Board national interest test

⁶ Replaced Senator Milne for the committee's inquiry into the live export trade

⁷ Replaced Senator Milne for the committee's inquiry into operational issues in export grain networks

⁸ Replaced Senator Nash on 9 February 2012 for the committee's inquiry into Foreign Investment Review Board national interest test

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 01.01.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Biosecurity and quarantine arrangements	Re-referred 30.09.2010	Nil	Biosecurity and quarantine arrangements—Interim report: the management of the removal of the fee rebate for AQIS export certification functions (presented OOS 12.12.2011; tabled 07.02.2012) Australia's biosecurity and quarantine arrangements—Second interim report (presented OOS 04.04.2012; tabled 10.05.2012) Third interim report (presented OOS 05.04.2012; tabled 10.05.2012) Final report (presented OOS 10.04.2012; tabled 10.05.2012)	No

Management of the Murray-Darling Basin	28.10.2010	02.04.2012—Hay, NSW 03.04.2012—Mildura, VIC 23.04.2012—Canberra 24.04.2012—Canberra	The impact of mining coal seam gas on the management of the Murray Darling Basin—Interim report (presented OOS 30.11.2011; tabled 07.02.2012)	Yes
Operational issues in export grain networks	23.03.2011	20.02.2012—Canberra	Interim report (presented OOS 12.04.2012; tabled 10.05.2012) Final report (presented OOS 16.04.2012; tabled 10.05.2012)	No
Examination of the Foreign Investment Review Board National Interest Test	06.07.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 16</i>)	09.02.2012—Canberra 17.02.2012—Canberra 09.05.2012—Canberra	Nil	Yes

New References

01.01.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2012
The effects on Australian pineapple growers of importing fresh pineapple from Malaysia	20.06.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 15</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Rural and regional access to secondary and tertiary education opportunities (tabled 13.03.2012; report tabled 18.12.2009)
- Australia's future oil supply and alternative transport fuels—Final report (presented OOS 28.05.2012; tabled 18.06.2012; report tabled 07.02.2007)
- Iraqi wheat debt—repayments for wheat growers (tabled 21.06.2012; report tabled 16.06.2005)
- Investment of Commonwealth and state funds in public passenger transport infrastructure and services (tabled 27.06.12; report tabled 20.08.2009)

**Joint Committees
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**Australian Commission for
Law Enforcement Integrity**

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

Joint Statutory

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* includes 1 report on statutory reporting obligations

Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (Joint Statutory)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Part 14 of the *Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006*; appointed 30 September 2010.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Ms Melissa Parke MP (Fremantle, WA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 26.10.10)</i>	25.10.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 16.03.12)</i>	16.03.12
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Mr Chris Hayes MP (Fowler, NSW, ALP)	25.10.10
Mr Russell Matheson MP (Macarthur, NSW, LP)	25.10.10
Mr Luke Simpkins MP (Cowan, WA, LP)	25.10.10
Mr Tony Zappia MP (Makin, SA, ALP)	25.10.10

Former members	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–27.10.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 28.10.10–16.03.12)</i>	27.10.10–16.03.12
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	04.07.11–22.03.12

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.1.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Performance of statutory duties	Ongoing	Nil	Examination of the Annual Report of the Integrity Commissioner 2010–11 (tabled 01.03.2012)	Ongoing
Inquiry into integrity of overseas Commonwealth law enforcement operations	06.12.2011 (<i>agreed to by the committee</i>)	16.03.2012—Canberra 23.03.2012—Canberra 11.05.2012—Canberra	Nil	Yes

New References

1.1.2012–30.06.2012

Nil

Government Responses

- Inquiry into the operation of the *Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006*–Interim Report (tabled 09.02.2012; report tabled 22.02.2010)
- Inquiry into the operation of the *Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006*–Final Report (tabled 09.02.2012; report tabled 07.07.2011)
- Inquiry into integrity testing (Presented OOS 30.03.2012; tabled 10.05.2012; report tabled 21.1.1.2011)

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)*

Australia's Immigration Detention Network

Australia's Immigration Detention Network

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Select Committee	1	0	1	0

Number and Hours of Meeting						
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Total Meetings
Select Committee	4:23	0	0:00	2	0:30	3
					0:00	4:53

Meetings By State					
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA
Select Committee	0	0	0	0	0
					QLD

Witnesses					
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills
Select Committee	0	0	10	0	0

Hansard Pages			
General	Estimates	No Of Pages	Government Responses
44	1	22	0

report tabled 30/3

Australia's Immigration Detention Network (Joint Select)

1 January 2012 to 30 March 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 2 June 2011 and agreed to by the Senate on 16 June 2011.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Mr Daryl Melham MP (Banks, NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 16.06.11)</i>	05.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 16.06.11)</i>	16.06.11
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Mr Adam Bandt MP (Melbourne, VIC, AG)	23.06.11
Mr Michael Keenan MP (Stirling, WA, LP)	22.06.11
Mr Scott Morrison MP (Cook, NSW, LP)	22.06.11
Mr Robert Oakeshott MP (Lyne, NSW, IND)	18.08.11
Ms Maria Vamvakinou MP (Calwell, VIC, ALP)	05.07.11

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	22.06.11
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	22.06.11
Mr Jamie Briggs MP (Mayo, SA, LP)	18.08.11
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Mr Warren Entsch MP (Leichhardt, QLD LP)	18.08.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	22.06.11
Mrs Natasha Griggs MP (Solomon, NT, CLP)	18.08.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	22.06.11

Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	22.06.11
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	22.06.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	22.06.11

Former participating member	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	22.06.11–22.08.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries *As at 1.1.2012*

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Joint Select Committee on Australia's Immigration Detention Network	16.06.2011	29.02.2012—Canberra	Final Report presented OOS 30.03.2012; tabled 10.05.2012	No

New References *1.1.2012–30.03.2012*

Nil

Government Responses

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)*

Corporations and Financial Services

Corporations & Financial Services

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference *	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Joint Statutory	6	2	4+2+(3)	2

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Statutory	7	29:40	0	0:00	14	4:37	0	0:00	21	34:17

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Statutory	15	6	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages					
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
Joint Statutory	2	0	74	20	0	245	73	65	594	1

* includes 2 reports that discharged 4 references and 3 reports on statutory reporting obligations

Corporations and Financial Services (Joint Statutory)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to section 241 of the *Australian Securities and Investments Commission Act 2001*; appointed 30 September 2010.

Current members

Date of appointment

Ms D O'Neill MP (Robertson, NSW, ALP) (<i>elected Chair on 15.03.12</i>)	14.03.12
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 18.11.10</i>)	25.10.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	27.06.12
Mr P Fletcher MP (Bradfield, NSW, LP)	25.10.10
The Hon A Griffin MP (Bruce, VIC, ALP)	25.10.10
Mr ADH Smith MP (Casey, VIC, LP)	25.10.10
Ms L Smyth MP (LaTrobe, VIC, ALP)	25.10.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–26.10.10
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	26.10.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Jan McLucas (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10–26.10.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	04.07.11–07.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	11.10.11–27.02.12
Mr B Ripoll MP (Oxley, QLD, ALP) (<i>Chair 18.11.10–07.03.12</i>)	25.10.10–07.03.12
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	07.02.12–01.06.12
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	26.10.10–07.02.12

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled
Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011	22.09.2011 (<i>referred pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee</i>)	Nil	presented OOS 02.12.2011; tabled 07.02.2012

Inquiries

As at 1.1.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2012
Oversight of the operations of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission	Ongoing	Nil	Report tabled 24.11.2011 HOR & 07.02.2012 Senate Report tabled 13.03.2012 Report tabled 21.05.2012	Ongoing
Examination of annual reports of ASIC Act bodies	Ongoing	Nil	Report on the 2010–11 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act tabled 13.03.2012	Ongoing
Inquiry into the collapse of Trio Capital	23.06.2011 (<i>agreed to by the committee</i>)	04.04.2012—Sydney	Interim report (tabled 24.11.2011 HOR & 07.02.2012 Senate) Final report presented OOS 16.05.2012; tabled 18.06.2012	No

Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2011; and Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2011	13.10.2011 24.11.2011 <i>(both bills referred pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee)</i>	23.01.2012—Sydney 24.01.2012—Sydney	01.03.2012	No
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (MySuper Core Provisions) Bill 2011	03.11.2011 <i>(referred pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee)</i>	02.03.2012—Canberra	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (MySuper Core Provisions) Bill 2011 and Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Obligations and Prudential Standards) Bill 2012, tabled 19.03.2012	No

New References

1.1.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Obligations and Prudential Standards) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	29.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal entry 15</i>)	Nil	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (MySuper Core Provisions) Bill 2011 and Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Obligations and Prudential Standards) Bill 2012, tabled 19.03.2012	No
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Stronger Super) Bill 2012; Superannuation Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2012	24.05.2012 (<i>referred pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee</i>)	04.06.2012—Sydney	Presented OOS 13.06.2012; tabled 18.06.2012	No

Government Responses

- Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (tabled 21.06.2012; report tabled 13.03.2012)

SB (*Selection of Bills Committee*)
OOS (*Out of session*)

Gambling Reform

Gambling Reform

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Select Committee	1	2	0	3

Number and Hours of Meeting							
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Total Meetings
Select Committee	7	18:57	0	0:00	7	2:01	1
						0:45	15
							21:43

Meetings By State					
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA
Select Committee	12	2	1	0	0

Witnesses					
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills
Select Committee	5	0	0	52	0

Hansard Pages					
General	Estimates	Bills	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages
Select Committee	5	0	0	202	61

Government Responses	No Of Pages	No of Submissions	General	Estimates	Bills
Select Committee	2	1295	61	202	0

Gambling Reform (Joint Select)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010, agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Mr Andrew Wilkie, MP (Denison, TAS, IND) (<i>elected Chair on 27.10.10</i>)	25.10.10
Ms Gai Brodtmann, MP (Canberra, ACT, ALP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 20.03.10</i>)	14.03.12
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	25.10.10
Mr Steven Ciobo, MP (Moncrieff, QLD, LP)	25.10.10
Mr Josh Frydenberg, MP (Kooyong, VIC, LP)	25.10.10
Mr Stephen Jones, MP (Throsby, NSW, ALP)	25.10.10
Mr Shayne Neumann, MP (Blair, QLD, ALP)	25.10.10

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	25.10.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	27.02.12
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	27.06.12

Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	25.10.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	25.10.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	27.02.12
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	25.10.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	27.06.12
Senator Lin Thorp (TAS, ALP)	21.06.12
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	25.10.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	25.10.10–10.05.12
Mr Nick Champion, MP (Wakefield, SA, ALP)	25.10.10–14.03.12
<i>Deputy Chair (27.10.10–14.03.12)</i>	
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–27.02.12
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10–21.06.12
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (TAS, ALP)	27.02.12–01.06.12

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	25.10.10–31.03.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	25.10.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	25.10.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	25.10.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	25.10.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	25.10.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	25.10.10–30.06.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled
Interactive and Online Gambling and Gambling Advertising; and	<i>(reference transferred from the Community Affairs References Committee 28.10.2010)</i> 20.06.2011	Nil	presented OOS 08.12.2011; tabled 07.02.2012
Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011			

Inquiries

As at 1.1.2012

Nil

New References

1.1.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2012
The prevention and treatment of problem gambling	09.02.2012 (Refer <i>Journal Entry 9</i>)	28.02.2012—Canberra 20.03.2012—Canberra 02.05.2012—Sydney 03.05.2012—Melbourne 14.05.2012—Canberra 18.06.2012 & 26.06.2012— Canberra		Yes

Poker Machine Harm Reduction (\$1 Bets and Other Measures) Bill 2012	22.03.2012 (in accordance with Terms of Reference for committee)			Yes
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Government Responses

- First Report—The design and implementation of a mandatory pre-commitment system for electronic gaming machines (Presented OOS 04.05.2012; tabled 10.05.2012; report tabled 06.05.2011)
- Second Report—Interactive and online gambling and gambling advertising and Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011 (tabled 21.06.2012; report tabled 08.12.11)

Law Enforcement

Law Enforcement

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference *	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Joint Statutory	2	1 (+1)	2

Number and Hours of Meeting											
Public		Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours	
Joint Statutory	4	9:49	0	0:00	11	6:01	0	0:00	15	15:50	

Meetings By State							
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Statutory	15	0	0	0	0	0	0

		Witnesses			Hansard Pages					
		Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General		
Joint Statutory	4	0	0	40	0	0	90	6	53	1

* includes 1 report on statutory reporting obligations

Law Enforcement (Joint Statutory)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to the *Parliamentary Joint Committee on Law Enforcement Act 2010*; appointed 30 September 2010.

Current members

Date of appointment

Mr Chris Hayes MP (Fowler, NSW, ALP) (<i>elected Chair on 04.07.11</i>)	25.10.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 16.03.12</i>)	16.03.12
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Ms Sharon Grierson MP (Newcastle, NSW, ALP)	25.10.10
Mr Michael Keenan MP (Stirling, WA, LP)	25.10.10
Mr Russell Matheson MP (Macarthur, NSW, LP)	25.10.10
Ms Maria Vamvakinou MP (Calwell, VIC, ALP)	25.10.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–25.10.10
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) (<i>Chair 25.10.10–30.06.11</i>)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP) (<i>Deputy Chair 26.10.10–16.03.12</i>)	25.10.10–16.03.12
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	04.07.11–09.05.12

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.1.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2012
Performance of statutory duties	Ongoing	02.03.2012—Canberra (<i>Examination of the ACC</i>) 02.03.2012—Canberra (<i>Examination of the AFP</i>)	Examination of the 2010–11 Annual Reports of the Australian Crime Commission and the Australian Federal Police, tabled 10.05.2012	Ongoing
Inquiry into Commonwealth unexplained wealth legislation and arrangements	13.07.2011 (<i>agreed to by the committee</i>)	10.02.2012—Canberra 07.03.2012—Canberra	Inquiry into Commonwealth unexplained wealth legislation and arrangements, tabled 19.03.2012 HOR and 10.05.2012 Senate	No

New References

1.1.2012–30.06.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2012
Inquiry into the gathering and use of criminal intelligence	30.05.2012 (<i>agreed to by the committee</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Examination of the annual report of the Australian Crime Commission 2009-2010 (tabled 10.05.2012; report tabled 24.08.2011)

Select Committees

1 January 2012–30 June 2012

Australia's Food Processing Sector

Australia's Food Processing Sector

1 January 2012 - 30 June 2012

	Matters current as at 1 January 2012	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2012
Select Committee	1	0	0	1

Number and Hours of Meeting							
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Total Meetings
Select Committee	8	33:26	0	0:00	8	3:08	22
						29:15	65:49

Meetings By State						
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	QLD
Select Committee	9	1	4	2	3	0

Witnesses						Hansard Pages			
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages
Select Committee	2	0	0	104	0	0	369	16	294
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Select Committee on Australia's Food Processing Sector

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 24 March 2011.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 07.07.11)</i>	16.06.11
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 14.09.11)</i>	07.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	04.07.11
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	07.07.11

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	16.06.11
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11

Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	16.06.11
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	16.06.11
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	16.06.11
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	16.06.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	16.06.11–31.03.12
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	16.06.11–22.08.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11–04.07.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.1.2012

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2012</i>
Inquiry on Australia's Food Processing Sector	24.03.2011	10.02.2012—Sydney 08.03.2012—Shepparton VIC 09.03.2012—Shepparton, VIC 12.04.2012—Devonport, TAS 17.04.2012—Adelaide 18.04.2012—Perth 11.05.2012—Canberra 15.05.2012—Canberra	Nil	Yes

New References

1.1.2012–30.06.2012

Nil

Government Responses

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)*

Other Committees

1 January 2012–30 June 2012

Regulations and Ordinances (Legislative Scrutiny Standing)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 23.

Current members

Senator Furner (Chair), Senator the Hon Colbeck (Deputy Chair), and Senators Cash, Moore, Pratt and Ryan

Former members

Senators Marshall and Ronaldson

Secretary

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Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises delegated legislation to ensure:

- that it is in accordance with the statute;
- that it does not trespass unduly on personal rights and liberties;
- that it does not unduly make the rights and liberties of citizens dependent upon administrative decisions which are not subject to review of their merits by a judicial or other independent tribunal; and
- that it does not contain matter more appropriate for parliamentary enactment.

Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Delegated legislation monitor—Disallowable legislative instruments (tabled 09.02.2012)
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 7 Briefings: Nil Total: 7
No. of instruments scrutinised	967
Notices of motion to disallow	Nil
Notices withdrawn	Nil
Notices pending	Nil

Scrutiny of Bills (Legislative Scrutiny Standing)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24.

Current members

Senator the Hon Macdonald (Chair), Senator C Brown (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bishop, Edwards, Siewert and Thorp

Former members

Senators Fifield and Marshall

Secretary

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Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises bills and Acts of Parliament and reports to the Senate whether such bills or Acts, by express words or otherwise:

- trespass unduly on personal rights and liberties;
- make rights, liberties or obligations unduly dependent upon insufficiently defined administrative powers;
- make rights, liberties or obligations unduly dependent upon non-reviewable decisions;
- inappropriately delegate legislative powers; or
- insufficiently subject the exercise of legislative power to parliamentary scrutiny.

Between 1 January 2012 and 30 June 2012, the committee considered 153 bills, and commented on 73 bills in 7 Alert Digests. The committee also produced 7 Reports containing correspondence from Ministers addressing its concerns.

On 10 May 2012, the committee tabled its final report for the inquiry into the future role and direction of the Senate Scrutiny of Bills Committee.

New references <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Alert digests tabled <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	No. 1 of 2012 (8 February 2012) No. 2 of 2012 (29 February 2012) No. 3 of 2012 (14 March 2012) No. 4 of 2012 (22 March 2012) No. 5 of 2012 (10 May 2012) No. 6 of 2012 (20 June 2012) No. 7 of 2012 (27 June 2012)

Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	First Report of 2012 (8 February 2012) Second Report of 2012 (29 February 2012) Third Report of 2012 (14 March 2012) Fourth Report of 2012 (22 March 2012) Fifth Report of 2012 (10 May 2012) Future Direction and Role of the Committee (10 May 2012) Sixth Report of 2012 (20 June 2012) Seventh Report of 2012 (27 June 2012)
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 7 Briefings: Nil Total: 7

Appropriations and Staffing (Standing)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 19.

Current members

The President (Senator the Hon J Hogg) (Chair), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon C Evans), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator the Hon E Abetz), and Senators Collins, Faulkner, Parry, Singh, Williams and Xenophon

Secretary

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Role of the committee

The Standing Committee on Appropriations and Staffing determines the amounts for inclusion in the parliamentary appropriation bills and reports to the Senate on its determinations prior to the Senate's consideration of those bills. The committee also examines matters affecting the staffing and administration of the Department of the Senate, including proposals to vary the staffing structure, and other matters referred to it by the Senate. It makes an annual report to the Senate on the operations of the Senate's appropriations and staffing and related matters (Standing Order 19(3)). The committee has the explicit capacity to scrutinise security funding and administration and to advise the President and the Senate as appropriate. Under a resolution of the Senate agreed to in 1987 the committee also examines proposed changes in the structure and responsibilities of the parliamentary departments.

Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	53 rd Report—Estimates for the Department of the Senate 2012–13 (tabled 10.05.2012)
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 3 Briefings: Nil Total: 3

House (Standing)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 21.

Current members

The President (Senator the Hon J Hogg) (Chair), the Deputy President (Senator S Parry), and Senators Heffernan, McEwen, Parry and Sterle

Secretary

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Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 2* Public: Nil Briefings: Nil Total: 2*
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**Sitting jointly with a similar committee of the House of Representatives*

Privileges (Standing)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 18.

Current members

Senator Humphries (Chair), Senator Gallacher (Deputy Chair from 28.06.12) and Senators Brandis, Faulkner (Deputy Chair until 28.06.12), Ludlam, Payne, Stephens and Urquhart

Former members

Senators Cameron, Collins, Farrell, Feeney, Hurley, Johnston, McGauran, McLucas, O'Brien, Sherry, Sterle

Secretary

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New references <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Guidance for officers giving evidence and providing information
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	150 th Report—Whether there was any improper influence in relation to political donations made by Mr Graeme Wood and questions without notice asked by Senator Bob Brown and Senator Milne (tabled 19 March 2012) 151 st Report—Possible imposition of a penalty on, or interference with, a witness before the Rural Affairs and Transport References Committee (tabled 22 March 2012)
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 5 Briefings: Nil Total: 5

Procedure (Standing)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 17.

Current members

The Deputy President (Senator S Parry) (Chair), the President (Senator the Hon J Hogg), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon C Evans), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator the Hon E Abetz), and Senators Collins, Faulkner, Fifield, Kroger, Ludlam and McEwen

Former member

Senator Siewert

Secretary

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Current inquiry <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	First report of 2012—Consideration of private senators' bills; Routine of business; Consideration of non-controversial legislation; Raising matters of privilege; Changes to the printed Notice Paper and related matters (tabled 26.06.2012)
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 1 Briefings: Nil Total: 1

Publications (Standing)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22.

Current members

Senator C Brown (Chair), Senator Bernardi (Deputy Chair) and Senators Furner, Marshall, Mason, Parry and Sterle

Secretary

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Public hearings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	13 th Report (tabled 09.02.2012) 14 th Report (tabled 01.03.2012) 15 th Report (tabled 22.03.2012) 16 th Report (tabled 10.05.2012) 17 th Report (tabled 28.06.2012)
Government response <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Inquiry into the development of a digital repository and electronic distribution of the Parliament Papers Series— Presiding Officers further response, dated June 2012
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 5* Briefings: Nil Total: 5*

**All meetings held as a joint committee with a similar committee of the House of Representatives*

Selection of Bills (Standing)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24A.

Current members

The Government Whip (Senator McEwen) (Chair), the Opposition Whip (Senator Kroger), The Nationals Whip (Senator Williams), the Australian Greens Whip (Senator Siewert) and Senators C Brown, Bushby, Collins and Fifield

Former members

Senator Adams, Senator the Hon. M Arbib and Senator the Hon. J Ludwig

Secretary

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Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Report Nos 1 to 8 of 2012
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 8 Briefings: Nil Total: 8

Senators' Interests (Standing)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22A.

Current members

Senator Bernardi (Chair), Senator Marshall (Deputy Chair) and Senators Bilyk, Humphries, Johnston, Kroger, Stephens and Waters

Former members

Senators Adams, Bob Brown, Fifield, Pratt and Siewert

Secretary

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Current inquiry <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Development of a draft code of conduct for senators (referred 02.03.2011)
Register of Senators' Interests <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Register of Senators' Interests incorporating Statements of Registrable Interests and notifications of alterations lodged between 1 December 2011 and 26 June 2012
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Report 1 of 2012: Annual Report 2011 (tabled 10.05.2012)
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 1 Briefings: Nil Total: 1

Cyber-Safety (Joint Select)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010. Resolution amended in the Senate on 15 September 2011 and in the House of Representatives on 24 November 2011.

Current members

Senator Bilyk (Chair), Mr A Hawke MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bushby, Ludlam, Parry and Pratt and Mr Danby MP, Ms Marino MP, Mr Perrett MP, Ms Rishworth MP, Mr Zappia MP

Secretary

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Current inquiry <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Inquiry into Cybersafety for Senior Australians
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 6 Public: 5 Briefings: 1 Total: 12

National Broadband Network (Joint)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 2 March 2011 and agreed to by the Senate on 3 March 2011.

Current members

Mr Oakeshott MP (Chair), Mr Mitchell MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Birmingham, Cameron, Fisher, Gallacher, Ludlam, Macdonald and Thorp and Mr Fletcher MP, Mr Hartsuyker MP, Mr Husic MP, the Hon S Ley MP, Ms Rishworth MP, Mr Symon MP, the Hon M Turnbull MP

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Back, Bernardi, Bilyk, Bishop, Boswell, Boyce, Brandis, C Brown, Bushby, Cash, Colbeck, Cormann, Crossin, Eggleston, Faulkner, Fierravanti-Wells, Fifield, Furner, Heffernan, Humphries, Johnston, Joyce, Kroger, Marshall, Mason, McEwen, Moore, Nash, Parry, Payne, Polley, Pratt, Ronaldson, Ryan, Scullion, Stephens, Sterle, Williams, and Xenophon, and Mrs D'Ath MP, Mr Neville MP and Mr Scott MP

Secretary

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Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Third report—Review of the rollout of the National Broadband Network, (tabled 25.06.2012)
Government responses <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Second report—Review of the rollout of the National Broadband Network (presented OOS 16.04.2012; tabled 10.05.2012)
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 5 Public: 3 Briefings: 1 Total: 9

Electoral Matters (Joint)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Mr Melham MP (Chair), Mr Somlyay MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Birmingham, C Brown, Polley, Rhiannon and Ryan and Mrs B Bishop MP, Mr Griffin MP and Ms Rishworth MP

Secretary

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Current inquiry <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Review of the AEC analysis of the FWA Report on the HSU Review of the Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Improving Electoral Procedure) Bill 2012
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Advisory report on the Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Maintaining Address) Bill 2011 (tabled 13.03.2012) Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Protecting Elector Participation) Bill 2012—Advisory report (tabled 19.03.2012)
Government responses <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Inquiry into the 2010 Federal Election (tabled 07.02.2012)
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 6 Public: 3 Total: 9

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Joint)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Mr Danby MP (Chair), Mrs Gash MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bishop, Fawcett, Furner, Hanson-Young, Johnston, Ludlam, Macdonald, McEwen, Moore, Parry, Payne, Stephens, and The Hon D Adams MP, The Hon J Bishop MP, Ms Brodtmann MP, Mr Champion MP, The Hon L Ferguson MP, The Hon J Fitzgibbon MP, The Hon A Griffin MP, Mr Jenkins MP, Dr Jensen MP, The Hon R McClelland MP, Mrs Mirabella MP, The Hon J Murphy MP, Mr O'Dowd MP, Ms Parke MP, Mr Robert MP, The Hon P Ruddock MP, Ms Saffin MP, The Hon B Scott MP, The Hon Dr Stone MP and Ms Vamvakinou MP

Former members

The Hon A Byrne MP and Mr Gibbons MP

Secretary

Mr Jerome Brown

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Current inquiries <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Inquiry into Australia's Human Rights Dialogues with China and Vietnam Inquiry into Australia's trade and investment relationship with Japan and the Republic of Korea Inquiry into Australia's Overseas Representation Review of the Defence Annual Report 2010–11 Inquiry into the Care of ADF Personnel Wounded and Injured on Operations
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Review of the Defence Annual Report 2009–10 (tabled 27.02.2012) Visit to the Middle East Area of Operations—Report of the delegation to the MEAO, 14 May to 18 May 2011 (tabled 19.03.2012) Inquiry into Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011 (tabled 28.06.2012)
Government responses <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Human rights in the Asia-Pacific: Challenges and opportunities (tabled 09.02.2012) Inquiry into Australia's relationship with the countries of Africa (tabled 22.03.2012) Review of the Defence Annual Report 2009–10 (tabled 24.05.2012)

Other Committees

Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 39 Public Hearings: 17 Briefings: 46 Total: 72*
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** Private and briefings meetings are often combined*

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Human Rights (Joint Statutory)

13 March 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 1 March 2012 and agreed to by the Senate on 13 March 2012.

Current members

Mr Jenkins MP (*Chair*), Mr Wyatt MP (*Deputy Chair*), Senators Edwards, Humphries, Stephens, Thistlethwaite and Wright, and Ms Parke MP, Mr Tehan MP and Mr K J Thomson MP

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>13 March 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Reports presented <i>13 March 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Government responses <i>13 March 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Meetings <i>13 March 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 5 Public: 1 Briefings: 2 Total: 8

Migration (Joint)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Ms Vamvakinou MP (Chair), Mrs Markus MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Cash, Gallacher, Hanson-Young and Singh and The Hon T Gambaro MP, Mr Georganas MP, Mr Ramsey MP and Mr Zappia MP

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Inquiry into Multiculturalism in Australia
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Inquiry into Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge Bill 2012 and Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012 (tabled 19.06.2012)
Government responses <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 8 Public: 9 Briefings: 1 Total: 18

National Capital and External Territories (Joint)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Senator Pratt (Chair), Mr Simpkins MP (Deputy Chair), and the Deputy President (Senator S Parry) and Senators Crossin and Humphries and the Hon D Adams MP, Ms Brodtmann MP, Dr Leigh MP and Mr Secker MP

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Review of the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Populations and Communities Annual Report 2010-11 Review of the Department of Regional Development, Regional Australia and Local Government Annual Report 2010-11 Review of the National Capital Authority: Biannual Public Hearing
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Government responses <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 7 Public: 5 Total: 12

Parliamentary Library (Joint Standing)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Senator Humphries (Joint Chair) and the Hon. D Adams MP (Joint Chair) and Senators Bilyk, Cameron and Madigan and Mr Broadbent MP, Mr Champion MP, Mr Christensen MP, Mr Melham MP and Mr C Thomson MP

Secretary

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Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 2 Public: Nil Total: 2
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Treaties (Joint)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Mr KJ Thomson MP (Chair), Senator Birmingham (Deputy Chair), Senators Fawcett, Ludlam, Singh, Smith, Thistlethwaite and Thorp and Mr Briggs MP, Mr L Ferguson MP, Mr Forrest MP, Ms Grierson MP, Mr Jenkins MP, Ms Livermore MP, Ms Parke MP and the Hon Dr Stone MP

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Treaty tabled on 20 March 2012 Treaties tabled on 8 May 2012 Treaties tabled on 19 June 2012 Treaty tabled on 26 June 2012 Review of the Treaties Ratification Bill 2012
Documents tabled <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	123 rd report—Treaties tabled on 13 October, 2, 22 and 24 November 2011 (tabled 14.03.2012) 124 th report—Treaties tabled on 22 November 2011 and 7 February 2012 (tabled 10.05.2012) 125 th report—Treaties tabled on 7 and 28 February 2012 (tabled 21.06.2012) 126 th report—Treaty tabled on 21 November 2011 (tabled 27.06.12)
Government responses <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	110 th report—Treaties tabled 18, 25 [2] and 26 November 2009 and 2 [2] February 2010 (tabled 09.02.2012)
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 11 Public: 7 Briefings: 2 Total: 20

Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings (Joint Statutory)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*.

Current members

The Speaker (Mr P Slipper MP) (Chair), the President (Senator the Hon J Hogg) (Vice Chair) and Senators C Brown (*until 21.06.12*), Parry, Thorp (*from 21.06.12*) and Mr Coulton MP, Mr Hayes MP, The Hon J Murphy MP, Mr Roy MP and Ms Vamvakinou MP

Secretary

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Documents tabled <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 1 Public: Nil Total: 1

Intelligence and Security (Joint Statutory)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to *Intelligence Services Act 2001*; amended by the *Intelligence Services Legislation Amendment Act 2005* on 2 December 2005.

Current members

The Hon A Byrne MP (Chair), the Hon P Ruddock MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bishop, Brandis, Faulkner, Johnston and Stephens and Mr Danby MP, Mr Forrest MP, the Hon K Rudd MP and Mr Wilkie MP

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Current inquiries <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Review of Administration and Expenditure: No. 10 (2010-2011) – Australian Intelligence Agencies
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Review of the re-listing of Ansar al-Islam (AAI), Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan (IMU), Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) and Lashkar-e-Jhangvi (LeJ) as terrorist organisations (tabled 28.05.2012) Review of Administration and Expenditure: No. 9 (2009-2010)–Australian Intelligence Agencies (tabled 18.06.2012) Review of the Re-Listing of Hizballah's External Security Organisation as a terrorist organisation (tabled 28.06.2012)
Government responses received <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Nil
Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private (meetings): 11* Public (hearings): Nil In camera (hearings): 2* Briefings: 3* Total: 12*

* Private meetings that have been followed by a hearing or briefing have been counted as a single meeting of the Committee

Public Accounts and Audit (Joint Statutory)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to *Public Accounts and Audit Committee Act 1951*.

Current members

Mr Oakshott MP (Chair), Mrs D'Ath MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bishop, Kroger, Sherry (08.02.12-01.06.12), Smith (from 10.05.12), Sterle (until 08.02.12) and Thistlethwaite and Mr Adams MP, Mr Briggs MP, Ms Brodtmann MP, Mr Cheeseman MP, Mr Frydenberg MP, Ms O'Neill MP, Ms Smyth MP, Mr Somlyay MP

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Current inquiries <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Review of Auditor-General's Report Nos 24 to 32 (2011-12)
Reports presented <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Report 429–Review of the 2010-11 Defence Materiel Organisation Major Projects Report Report 430–Review of Auditor-General's Reports: Nos. 47 (2010-11) to 9 (2011-12); and Nos. 10 to 23 (2011-12).*
Government responses received <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Response to Report 418–Recommendation 4: Review of Auditor-General's Reports Nos. 04 to 38 (2009-10) (Inquiry: Review of Auditor-General's Reports Nos. 4 to 21 (2009/10)) Response to Report 422–Recommendation 7: Review of the 2009-10 Defence Materiel Organisation Major Projects Report Response to Report 423–Recommendation 3&4: Review of Auditor-General's Reports Nos 39 2009-10 to 15 2010-11 Response to Report 424–Recommendation 1-9: Eighth biannual hearing with the Commissioner of Taxation Response to Report 426–Recommendation 1, 4, 5, 6: Ninth biannual hearing with the Commissioner of Taxation Response to Report 428–Recommendation 1-4: Review of Auditor-General's Reports Nos. 16 to 46 2010-11 Response to Report 429–Recommendation 2: Review of the 2010-11 Defence Materiel Organisation Major Projects Report

Other Committees

Meetings <i>1 January 2012–30 June 2012</i>	Private: 8 Public: 6 Briefings: 5 Total: 19
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** Report covers two separate inquiries*

Public Works (Joint Statutory)

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Appointment

Pursuant to *Public Works Act 1969*.

Current members

Ms Saffin MP (Chair), Mr Forrest MP (Deputy Chair), Senators Boyce, Gallacher and Urquhart, and Mrs K L Andrews MP, Mr Georganas MP, Mr Ripoll MP and Mr Secker MP

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Current inquiries

1 January 2012–30 June 2012

Proposed Construction of a new Australian Embassy complex including Chancery and Head of Mission residence in Bangkok, Thailand

Proposed HMAS Albatross Redevelopment, Nowra, NSW

Proposed Royal Australian Air Force Base East Sale Redevelopment, Sale, Victoria

LAND 17 Phase 1A Infrastructure Project

Construction of Projects Two and Three of the Christmas Island New Housing Program

Proposed Development and Construction of Housing for Defence at Ermington, Sydney

Proposed Development and Construction of Housing for Defence at Rasmussen, Townsville

Proposed improvements to fuel storage and supply on Christmas Island, Indian Ocean Territories

Proposed fit-out of Commonwealth Parliamentary offices at 1 Bligh Street, Sydney, NSW

Proposed development and construction of housing for Defence members and their families at Lindfield, NSW

Proposed development and construction of housing for Defence members and their families at Weston Creek, ACT

Proposed integrated fit-out of new leased premises for the Australian Taxation Office at the site known at 913 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill, Victoria

Base Infrastructure Works Project under the Base Security Improvement Program

New National Archives Preservation Facility and refurbishment of the existing Mitchell facility for the

	National Archives of Australia at Mitchell, ACT Development and construction of housing for Defence members and their families at Kellyville, Sydney, NSW High voltage electrical distribution upgrade, Liverpool Military Area, NSW Defence Logistics Transformation Program Moorebank units relocation, Holsworthy, NSW
Reports presented 1 January 2012–30 June 2012	1st report of 2012—Referrals made September to October 2011: Proposed construction of a new Australian Embassy complex including chancery and head of mission residence in Bangkok, Thailand; Proposed HMAS Albatross redevelopment, Nowra, NSW; Proposed Royal Australian Air Force Base East Sale redevelopment, Sale, Victoria; LAND 17 Phase 1A Infrastructure Project (tabled 27.02.2012) 2nd report of 2012 – Referrals made in November 2011: Construction of Projects Two and Three of the Christmas Island New Housing Program; Proposed Development and Construction of Housing for Defence at Ermington, Sydney (tabled 19.03.12) Seventy-fifth Annual Report (tabled 19.03.12) 3rd report of 2012—Referrals made November 2011 to March 2012: Proposed development and construction of housing for Defence at Rasmussen, Townsville; Proposed improvement to fuel storage and supply on Christmas Island, Indian Ocean Territories; Proposed fit-out of Commonwealth Parliamentary offices at 1 Bligh Street, Sydney, NSW (tabled 26.06.12)
Meetings 1 January 2012–30 June 2012	Private: 10* Public: 6* Inspections: 3* Total: 14*

* Private meetings and inspections that have been followed by a public meeting have been counted as a single meeting of the Committee

**Committee-related
activity in the chamber**

1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012

Details of Reports tabled in the Senate and other related matters

Matters Referred to Committees

During the reporting period, 54 matters were referred to Senate Committees for inquiry and report (including 37 Individual/Packages of Bills referred through the Selection of Bills Committee, 6 Individual/Packages of Bills referred directly to Legislation committees, 7 matters referred to References committees and 4 matters referred to Joint committees). The details are as follows:

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
CA (Ref)	The role of the Government and the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) regarding the approval and monitoring of medical devices listed on the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods, particularly Poly Implant Prothese (PIP) breast implants (for inquiry and report by 31.05.2012)	08.02.2012 (2)
LCA (Leg)	Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010 (for inquiry and report by 25.05.2012)	
CA (Leg)	Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support and Other Measures) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 19.03.2012)	09.02.2012 (5)
EC (Leg)	Telecommunications Amendment (Mobile Phone Towers) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 09.05.2012)	
FPA (Leg)	Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 27.02.2012)	
LCA (Leg)	Migration Amendment (Removal of Mandatory Minimum Penalties) Bill 2012 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 22.03.2012)	
Gambling Reform (Joint Select)	The prevention and treatment of problem gambling	
Corporations and Financial Services (Joint)	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Obligations and Prudential Standards) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (for inquiry and report by 13.03.2012)	29.02.2012 (1)

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
RRAT (Leg)	Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Screening) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 09.05.2012)	01.03.2012 (3)
LCA (Leg)	Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (R 18+ Computer Games) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 16.03.2012)	
EEWR (Leg)	Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 08.05.2012)	
ECO (Ref)	An examination of recent developments in the banking sector arising out of the impact of the global financial crisis and subsequent events (for inquiry and report by 31.10.2012)	14.03.12 (1)
ECO (Leg)	Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Shipping Registration Amendment (Australian International Shipping Register) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Shipping Reform (Tax Incentives) Bill 2012 [Provisions], and the Tax Laws Amendment (Shipping Reform) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 19.06.2012)	22.03.2012 (17)
ECO (Leg)	National Vocational Education and Training Regulator (Charges) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 09.05.2012)	
ECO (Leg)	Corporations Amendment (Phoenixing and Other Measures) Bill 2012 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 08.05.2012)	
EEWR (Leg)	Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Shipping Registration Amendment (Australian International Shipping Register) Bill 2012 [Provisions], the Shipping Reform (Tax Incentives) Bill 2012 [Provisions], and the Tax Laws Amendment (Shipping Reform) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 19.06.2012)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
EEWR (Leg)	Skills Australia Amendment (Australian Workforce and Productivity Agency) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 08.05.2012)	22.03.2012 (17) Cont.
EC (Leg)	Broadcasting Services Amendment (Anti-siphoning) Bill 2012 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 04.05.2012)	
EC (Leg)	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 20.06.2012)	
Gambling Reform (Joint Select)	Poker Machine Harm Reduction (\$1 Bets and Other Measures) Bill 2012	
EC (Leg)	National Water Commission Amendment Bill 2012 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 01.05.2012)	
FPA (Leg)	Health Insurance (Dental Services) Bill 2012 [No. 2] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 08.05.2012)	
FPA (Leg)	National Health Reform Amendment (Administrator and National Health Funding Body) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 09.05.2012)	
LCA (Leg)	Assisting Victims of Overseas Terrorism Bill 2012 and the Social Security Amendment (Supporting Australian Victims of Terrorism Overseas) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 08.05.2012)	
LCA (Leg)	Courts Legislation Amendment (Judicial Complaints) Bill 2012 [Provisions] and the Judicial Misbehaviour and Incapacity (Parliamentary Commissions) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 18.06.2012)	
LCA (Leg)	Judges and Governors-General Legislation Amendment (Family Law) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 08.05.2012)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
LCA (Leg)	Migration Legislation Amendment (Student Visas) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 18.06.2012)	22.03.2012 (17) Cont.
RRAT (Leg)	Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 18.06.2012)	
RRAT (Leg)	Wheat Export Marketing Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 18.06.2012)	
LCA (Ref)	Detention of Indonesian minors in Australia (for inquiry and report by 28.06.2012)	10.05.2012 (2)
CA (Leg)	Low Aromatic Fuel Bill 2012 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 21.09.2012)	
ECO (Leg)	Clean Energy Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions], Clean Energy (Customs Tariff Amendment) Bill 2012 [Provisions], Clean Energy (Excise Tariff Legislation Amendment) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (referred 23.05.2012 pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2012, for inquiry and report by 18 June 2012)	23.05.2012 (3)
LCA (Leg)	Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions] (referred 23.05.2012 pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2012, for inquiry and report by 18 June 2012)	
LCA (Leg)	Australian Human Rights Commission Amendment (National Children's Commissioner) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (referred 23.05.2012 pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2012, for inquiry and report by 18 June 2012)	
CA (Leg)	Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (2012 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (referred 24.05.2012 pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2012, for inquiry and report by 18 June 2012)	24.05.2012 (3)
ECO (Leg)	Tax Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No.3) Bill 2012 [Provisions], Income Tax (Seasonal Labour Mobility Program Withholding Tax) Bill 2012 [Provisions], Tax Laws Amendment (Income Tax Rates) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (referred 24.05.2012 pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2012, for inquiry and report by 18 June 2012)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Stronger Super) Bill 2012; Superannuation Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2012 (pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee, for inquiry and report by 8 June 2012)	24.05.2012 (3) <i>Cont.</i>
ECO (Leg)	Clean Energy Finance Corporation Bill 2012 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 25.06.2012)	19.06.2012 (7)
ECO (Leg)	Tax Laws Amendment (Cross-Border Transfer Pricing) Bill (No.1) 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14.08.2012)	
EEWR (Leg)	Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 25.06.2012)	
EEWR (Leg)	Social Security Legislation Amendment (Fair Incentives to Work) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 22.08.2012)	
EC (Leg)	Broadcasting Services Amendment (Improved Access to Television Services) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 25.06.2012)	
LCA (Leg)	Crimes Legislation Amendment (Slavery, Slavery-like Conditions and People Trafficking) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 13.09.2012)	
LCA (Leg)	Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14.08.2012)	
RRAT (Ref)	The effects on Australian pineapple growers of importing fresh pineapple from Malaysia (for inquiry and report by 10 October 2012)	20.06.2012 (1)
EC (Leg)	Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Bill 2012 [Provisions] and Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards (Registration Fees) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 15.08.2012)	21.06.2012 (3)

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
FPA (Leg)	Government Investment Funds Amendment (Ethical Investments) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 22.08.2012)	21.06.2012 (3) Cont.
LCA (Leg)	Maritime Powers Bill 2012 [Provisions] and Maritime Powers (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 20.08.2012)	
EEWR (Ref)	The adequacy of the allowance payment system for jobseekers and others, the appropriateness of the allowance payment system as a support into work and the impact of the changing nature of the labour market (for inquiry and report by 1.11.2012)	26.06.2012 (1)
FDAT (Ref)	The administration, management and objectives of Australia's overseas development programs in Afghanistan in the context of the 'Transition Decade' (for inquiry and report by 31.12.12)	28.06.2012 (4)
FDAT (Leg)	Military Court of Australia Bill 2012 [Provisions] and the Military Court of Australia (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14.08.2012)	
LCA (Leg)	Military Court of Australia Bill 2012 [Provisions] and the Military Court of Australia (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14.08.2012)	
LCA (Leg)	Customs Amendment (Smuggled Tobacco) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14.08.2012)	
ECO (Ref)	Review of changes to car fringe benefits arrangements (<i>in accordance with Senate resolution of 23.06.2011 during second reading debate on Tax Laws Amendment (2011 Measures No. 5) Bill 2011</i>)	29.06.2012 (1)

Reports tabled by Senate Committees

During the reporting period, committees supported by the Senate Committee Office tabled/presented 81 reports (including 50 Legislation committee reports, 16 References committee reports and 15 Joint/Select committee reports). The details are as follows:

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (tabled 24.11.2011 HOR)	07.02.2012 (9)
FADT (Ref)	*Procurement procedures for Defence capital projects—Interim report (presented OOS 30.11.2011)	
RAT (Ref)	*The impact of mining coal seam gas on the management of the Murray Darling Basin—Interim report (presented OOS 30.11.2011)	
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011 (presented OOS 02.12.2011)	
ECO (Leg)	Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (presented OOS 07.12.2011)	
Gambling Reform (Joint Select)	Prevalence of interactive and online gambling in Australia (presented OOS 08.12.2011)	
Gambling Reform (Joint Select)	Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011 (presented OOS 08.12.2011)	
RAT (Ref)	*Biosecurity and quarantine arrangements—Interim report: the management of the removal of the fee rebate for AQIS export certification functions (presented OOS 12.12.2011)	
FADT (Ref)	*Procurement procedures for Defence capital projects—Preliminary report (presented OOS 15.12.2011)	
LCA (Leg)	Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Online Games) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	09.02.2012 (1)

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
EEWR (Leg)	Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection Service and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions], the Education Services for Overseas Students (TPS Levies) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Tuition Protection Service) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	27.02.2012 (6)
EEWR (Leg)	Fair Work Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industry) Bill 2011	
EC (Leg)	Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency Bill 2011 [Provisions], the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Universal Service Reform) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Telecommunications (Industry Levy) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (presented OOS 24.02.2012)	
FPA (Leg)	Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012	
RRAT (Leg)	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Protecting Australia's Water Resources) Bill 2011	
RRAT (Leg)	Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011 [Provisions]	
CA (Ref)	Commonwealth contribution to former forced adoption policies and practices	29.02.2012 (2)
EEWR (Leg)	Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	
EC (Leg)	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Emergency Listings) Bill 2011	01.03.2012 (4)
FPA (Ref)	The operation of the <i>Lobbying Code of Conduct</i> and the Lobbyist Register	
ACLEI (Joint)	Examination of the Annual Report of the Integrity Commissioner 2010–11	
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2011 and Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2011	

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Report on the 2010-11 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act	13.03.2012 (2)
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission	
CA (Leg)	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2011 [Provisions], Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]	14.03.2012 (3)
ECO (Leg)	Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	
ECO (Leg)	Minerals Resource Rent Tax Bill 2011 [Provisions] and related bills	
CA (Leg)	Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	19.03.2012 (3)
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (MySuper Core Provisions) Bill 2011 and Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Obligations and Prudential Standards) Bill 2012	
CA (Leg)	Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support and Other Measures) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
LCA (Leg)	Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (R 18+ Computer Games) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	22.03.2012 (2)
RRAT (Leg)	Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011, and Qantas Sale Amendment (Still Call Australia Home) Bill 2011	
ECO (Leg)	Corporations Amendment (Phoenixing and Other Measures) Bill 2012	09.05.2012 (1)

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
LCA (Leg) Australia's Immigration Detention Network (Joint Select)	Access to Justice (Federal Jurisdiction) Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions] (presented OOS 29.03.2012) Report (presented OOS 30.03.2012)	10.05.2012 (22)
LCA (Leg)	Crimes Amendment (Fairness for Minors) Bill 2011 (presented OOS 04.04.2012)	
LCA (Leg)	Migration Amendment (Removal of Mandatory Minimum Penalties) Bill 2012 (presented OOS 04.04.2012)	
RRAT (Ref)	*Australia's biosecurity and quarantine arrangements— Second Interim report (presented OOS 04.04.2012)	
RRAT (Ref)	*Australia's biosecurity and quarantine arrangements— Third interim report (presented OOS 05.04.2012)	
RRAT (Ref)	Australia's biosecurity and quarantine arrangements—Final report (presented OOS 10.04.2012)	
RRAT (Ref)	*Operational issues in export grain networks—Interim report (presented OOS 12.04.2012)	
RRAT (Ref)	Operational issues in export grain networks—Final report (presented OOS 16.04.2012)	
EEWR (Leg)	Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012 and related bills [Provisions] (presented OOS 24.04.2012)	
EC (Leg)	National Water Commission Amendment Bill 2012 (presented OOS 01.05.2012)	
EC (Leg)	Broadcasting Services Amendment (Anti-siphoning) Bill 2012 (presented OOS 04.05.2012)	
ECO (Leg)	National Vocational Education and Training Regulator (Charges) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
EEWR (Leg)	Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
EEWR (Leg)	Skills Australia Amendment (Australian Workforce and Productivity Agency) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
EC (Leg)	Telecommunications Amendment (Mobile Phone Towers) Bill 2011	10.05.2012 (22) Cont.
FPA (Leg)	Health Insurance (Dental Services) Bill 2012 [No. 2]	
FPA (Leg)	National Health Reform Amendment (Administrator and National Health Funding Body) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
LCA (Leg)	Assisting Victims of Overseas Terrorism Bill 2012 and the Social Security Amendment (Supporting Australian Victims of Terrorism Overseas) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	
LCA (Leg)	Judges and Governors-General Legislation Amendment (Family Law) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
LE (Joint)	Inquiry into Commonwealth unexplained wealth legislation and arrangements	
LE (Joint)	Examination of the 2010-11 annual reports of the Australian Crime Commission and the Australian Federal Police	
CA (Leg)	Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (2012 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	18.06.2012 (15)
CA (Ref)	The role of the Therapeutic Goods Administration regarding medical devices, particularly Poly Implant Prothese (PIP) breast implants (presented OOS 31.05.12)	
ECO (Leg)	Clean Energy Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions], Clean Energy (Customs Tariff Amendment) Bill 2012 [Provisions], Clean Energy (Excise Tariff Legislation Amendment) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
ECO (Leg)	Tax Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No.3) Bill 2012 [Provisions], Income Tax (Seasonal Labour Mobility Program Withholding Tax) Bill 2012 [Provisions], Tax Laws Amendment (Income Tax Rates) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
ECO (Leg)	Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012 [Provisions] and related bills (presented OOS 15.06.2012)	
EEWR (Ref)	*Higher education and skills training to support future demand in agriculture and agribusiness in Australia—Interim report (presented OOS 08.06.2012)	

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
LCA (Leg)	*Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010—Interim report (presented OOS 31.05.2012)	18.06.2012 (15) Cont.
LCA (Leg)	Australian Human Rights Commission Amendment (National Children's Commissioner) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
LCA (Ref)	*Prospective marriage visas—Interim report (presented OOS 07.06.2012)	
RRAT (Leg)	*Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Screening) Bill 2012 [Provisions]—Interim report (presented OOS 18.05.2012)	
RRAT (Leg)	Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Screening) Bill 2012 [Provisions] (presented OOS 30.05.2012)	
RRAT (Leg)	Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012 [Provisions]	
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Inquiry into the collapse of Trio Capital (presented OOS 16.05.2012)	
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Stronger Super) Bill 2012; Superannuation Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2012 (presented OOS 13.06.2012)	
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Oversight of the operations of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission	
LCA (Leg)	Migration Legislation Amendment (Student Visas) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	19.06.2012 (2)
LCA (Leg)	Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
EC (Leg)	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	20.06.2012 (1)
EEWR (Ref)	Higher education and skills training to support agriculture and agribusiness in Australia	21.06.2012 (1)
ECO (Leg)	Clean Energy Finance Corporation Bill 2012	25.06.2012 (5)

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
EEWR (Leg)	Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions]	25.06.2012 (5) Cont.
EC (Leg)	Broadcasting Services Amendment (Improved Access to Television Services) Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
LCA (Leg)	Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010	
RRAT (Leg)	Wheat Export Marketing Amendment Bill 2012 [Provisions]	
LCA (Ref)	Prospective Marriage visa program	26.06.2012 (1)
FPA (Leg)	*The performance of the Department of Parliamentary Services—Interim report	27.06.12 (1)

* Reports that did not discharge a reference

Estimates reports:

During the reporting period Senate Legislation Committees tabled 16 reports.

Reports on Annual Reports:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled 8 reports.

Government Responses to Committee Reports

The following table shows 32 Government responses to Senate Committee Reports:

Committee	Government Response	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
RAT (Leg)	Exposure draft and explanatory memorandum of the Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011 (presented OOS 25.11.2011; report tabled 23.06.2011)	07.02.2012 (9)
LCA (Ref)	Review of government compensation payments (presented OOS 29.11.2011; report tabled 06.12.2010)	
CA (Ref)	Gene patents (presented OOS 06.12.2011; report tabled 26.11.2010)	

Committee	Government Response	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
ECA (Ref)	Forestry and mining operations on the Tiwi Islands (presented OOS 19.12.2011; report tabled 29.10.2009)	07.02.2012 (9) Cont.
FPA (Ref)	Native vegetation laws, greenhouse gas abatement and climate change measures (presented OOS 16.01.2012; report tabled 30.04.2010)	
FPA (Ref)	Administration of health practitioner registration by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (presented OOS 19.01.2012; report tabled 03.06.2011)	
FPA (Leg)	Reports on annual reports referred to legislation committees—No. 2 of 2009 (presented OOS 24.01.2012; report tabled 09.09.2009)	
ECO (Ref)	Milking it for all it's worth: Competition and pricing in the Australian dairy industry (presented OOS 03.02.2012; report tabled 13.05.2010)	
ECO (Ref)	The impacts of supermarket price decisions on the dairy industry (presented OOS 03.02.2012; report tabled 03.11.2011)	
FADT (Ref)	Defence's request for tender for aviation contracts (report tabled 25.08.2011)	09.02.2012 (4)
FADT (Ref)	Part II: Incidents onboard HMAS <i>Success</i> between March and May 2009 and subsequent events (report tabled 22.09.2011)	
ACLEI (Joint)	Inquiry into the operation of the <i>Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006</i> —Interim report (report tabled 22.02.2010)	
ACLEI (Joint)	Inquiry into the operation of the <i>Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006</i> (report tabled 07.07.2011)	
EEWR (Ref)	The administration and purchasing of Disability Employment Services in Australia (presented OOS 17.02.2012; report tabled 25.11.2011)	27.02.2012 (2)
CA (Ref)	Consumer access to pharmaceutical benefits (presented OOS 22.02.2012; report tabled 24.11.2010)	
CA (Ref)	Review of the Professional Services Review (PSR) Scheme (presented OOS 06.03.2012; report tabled 25.10.2011)	13.03.2012 (6)

Committee	Government Response	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
FPA (Leg) RAT (Leg) RRAT (Ref) Fuel and Energy (Select) Scrutiny of New Taxes (Select)	Examination of annual reports no. 1 of 2008 (report tabled 20.03.2008) Airports Amendment Bill 2010 [Provisions] (report tabled 18.11.2010) Rural and regional access to secondary and tertiary education opportunities (report tabled 18.12.2009) The mining tax: Still bad for the economy – Still bad for jobs (report tabled 30.07.2010) The Mining Tax: A bad tax out of a flawed process (report tabled 29.06.2011)	13.03.2012 (6) Cont.
LCA (Ref) LCA (Ref) ACLEI (Joint) ECITA (Ref) Gambling Reform (Joint Select) LE (Joint) FPA (Leg) FPA (Leg)	Final report—A balancing act: provisions of the <i>Water Act 2007</i> (presented OOS 27.03.2012; report tabled 10.06.2011) International parental child abduction to and from Australia (presented OOS 30.03.2012; report tabled 31.10.2011) Inquiry into integrity testing (presented OOS 30.03.2012; report tabled 21.11.2011) Living with salinity: A report on progress: The extent and economic impact of salinity in Australia (presented OOS 12.04.2012; report tabled 28.03.2006) First Report: The design and implementation of a mandatory pre-commitment system for electronic gaming machines (presented OOS 04.05.2012; report tabled 06.05.2011) Examination of the annual report of the Australian Crime Commission 2009-2010 (report tabled 24.08.2011) Exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation: Part 1—Australian privacy principles (report tabled 15.06.2011) Exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation: Part 2—Credit reporting (report tabled 06.10.2011)	10.05.2012 (8)

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LCA (Ref)	Australia's arrangement with Malaysia in relation to asylum seekers (presented OOS 13.06.12; report tabled 11.10.2011)	18.06.2012 (2)
RRAT Standing	Australia's future oil supply and alternative transport fuels (presented OOS 28.05.2012; report tabled 07.02.2007)	
RRAT (Ref)	Iraqi wheat debt – repayments for wheat growers (tabled 21.06.2012; report tabled 16.06.2005)	21.06.2012 (3)
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (report tabled 13.03.2012)	
Gambling Reform (Joint Select)	Second report—Interactive and online gambling and gambling advertising; and Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011 (report tabled 08.12.11)	
EEWR (Ref)	Primary Schools for the 21 st Century Program (report tabled 25.03.11)	27.06.12 (2)
RRAT (Ref)	Investment of Commonwealth and state funds in public passenger transport infrastructure and services (report tabled 20.08.09)	

Additional Comments; Dissenting Reports; Minority Reports, Reports

(Note: These statistics record the signatory to the reports)

Legislation	LP/NAT	ALP	AG	IND	DLP
Additional Comments	10		10	1	
Dissenting Reports	16*	1	7*	2	
Minority Reports			2		
Report					
References	LP/NAT	ALP	AG	IND	DLP
Additional Comments		2		3	
Dissenting Reports		1	1		
Minority Reports					
Select/Joint	LP/NAT	ALP	AG	IND	DLP
Additional Comments			1	1	
Dissenting Reports	3				
Minority Reports					

(* Joint Dissenting Report from the Coalition and the Australian Greens)

LP/NAT (Liberal, National Party), ALP (Australian Labor Party), AG (Australian Greens),
DLP (Democratic Labor Party)

Extension of Time to present Reports

During the reporting period, 38 extensions of time: 6 one week or less; 14 over a week; and 18 over a month—were granted to committees administered by the Senate Committee Office to present reports.

Leave to meet while the Senate is in session

During the reporting period, Senate Committees were granted leave to meet while the Senate was in session on 51 occasions.

Membership of Committees

During the reporting period, there were 181 membership changes of Committees.

Appointment of Committees

Nil

Change of Committee Name

The Senate Standing Committee on Rural Affairs and Transport was changed to the Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport on 8 February 2012.