

PART TWO

11 September 2006 - 31 December 2006

Community Affairs

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	Matters current as at 11 September 2006	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2006
Standing Committee	2	4	4 +(1*)	2

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Standing Committee	14	75:00	2	23:35	11	10:25	1	4:00	28	113:00

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Standing Committee	18	3	3	1	1	1	0	1

Witnesses										
	Tevised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
Standing Committee	7	220	23	156	280	129	888	530	1841	0

**Interim report that did not discharge a reference*

Community Affairs (Standing)

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Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) <i>(appointed Chair on 11.9.06)</i>	11.9.06
Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) <i>(appointed Deputy Chair on 11.9.06)</i>	11.9.06
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)	11.9.06
Senator Carol Brown (Tas, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	12.9.06
Senator the Hon Kay Patterson (Vic, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Helen Polley (Tas, ALP)	11.9.06

Substitute members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	12.9.06

**replaces Senator Allison for committee's inquiry into Funding and operation of the Commonwealth-State/Territory Disability Agreement*

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)	12.9.06
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)	11.9.06
Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)	12.9.06
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS)	11.9.06
Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG)	11.9.06
Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	11.9.06
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	11.9.06

Senator Steve Fielding (Vic, FFP)	11.9.06
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	11.9.06
Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Barnaby Joyce (Qld, NATS)	11.9.06
Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Christine Milne (Tas, AG)	11.9.06
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	11.9.06
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	11.9.06
Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Stephen Parry (Tas, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	11.9.06
Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)	11.9.06
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	11.9.06
Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP)	11.9.06
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	11.9.06

Former members

Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)

Term of appointment

11.9.06-12.9.06

Former substitute members

Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)*

Term of appointment

12.10.06-24.10.06

**replaced Senator Adams for inquiry into legislative responses to the Lockhart review on 24 October 2006*

Inquiries

As at 11 September 2006

- Gynaecological cancer in Australia (referred 11 May 2006)
- An examination of the funding and operation of the Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement (CSTDA) (referred 11 May 2006)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2006

- An examination of the funding and operation of the Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement (CSTDA) (referred 11 May 2006)
- Private Health Insurance Bill 2006; Private Health Insurance (Collapsed Organisation Levy) Amendment Bill 2006; Private Health Insurance Complaints Levy Amendment Bill 2006; Private Health Insurance (Council Administration Levy) Amendment Bill 2006; Private Health Insurance (Reinsurance Trust Fund Levy) Amendment Bill 2006; and Private Health Insurance (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2006 [Provisions] (referred 7 December 2006 – through the Selection of Bills Committee)

New references

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- Aged Care Amendment (Residential Care) Bill 2006 (referred 14 September 2006 – through the Selection of Bills Committee)
- Child Support Legislation Amendment (Reform of the Child Support Scheme – New Formula and Other Measures) Bill 2006 [Provisions] (referred 14 September 2006 – through the Selection of Bills Committee)
- Legislative responses to recommendations of the reports of the Legislation Review Committee on the *Prohibition of Human Cloning Act 2002* and the *Research Involving Human Embryos Act 2002* (the Lockhart Review) (referred 14 September 2006)
- Private Health Insurance Bill 2006; Private Health Insurance (Collapsed Organisation Levy) Amendment Bill 2006; Private Health Insurance Complaints Levy Amendment Bill 2006; Private Health Insurance (Council Administration Levy) Amendment Bill 2006; Private Health Insurance (Reinsurance Trust Fund Levy) Amendment Bill 2006; and Private Health Insurance (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2006 [Provisions] (referred 7 December 2006 – through the Selection of Bills Committee)

Public hearings

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- Gynaecological cancer in Australia – 12 September 2006, Canberra (teleconference)
- An examination of the funding and operation of the Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement (CSTDA) – 28 September 2006, Melbourne; 3 October 2006, Sydney; 5 October 2006, Perth; 6 October 2006, Adelaide; 13 October 2006, Canberra; 17 November 2006, Brisbane; 22 November 2006, Hobart
- Child Support Legislation Amendment (Reform of the Child Support Scheme – New Formula and Other Measures) Bill 2006 [Provisions] – 29 September 2006, Melbourne; 4 October 2006, Canberra
- Aged Care Amendment (Residential Care) Bill 2006 – 4 October 2006, Canberra
- Legislative responses to recommendations of the reports of the Legislation Review Committee on the *Prohibition of Human Cloning Act 2002* and the *Research Involving Human Embryos Act 2002* (the Lockhart Review) – 20 October 2006, Canberra; 23 October 2006, Sydney; 24 October 2006, Melbourne

Reports tabled

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- Aged Care Amendment (Residential Care) Bill 2006 (tabled 9 October 2006)
- Child Support Legislation Amendment (Reform of the Child Support Scheme – New Formula and Other Measures) Bill 2006 [Provisions] (tabled 10 October 2006)
- Breaking the silence: a national voice for gynaecological cancers (tabled 19 October 2006)
- Interim Report – Legislative responses to recommendations of the Lockhart Review (presented out of session on 27 October 2006, tabled on 6 November 2006)
- Legislative responses to recommendations of the Lockhart Review (presented out of session on 30 October 2006, tabled on 6 November 2006)

Government responses

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- Nil

Estimates

A statistical summary of this Committee's work when considering Estimates appears in Part Eight.