

WORK OF COMMITTEES

Financial Year statistics: 1 July 2002 - 30 June 2003

Half-year statistics: 1 January 2003 - 30 June 2003

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FORMAT OF THIS REPORT

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

- the half year (1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003); and
- the financial year (1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003)

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

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ABBREVIATIONS

Committees

ACC	Australian Crime Commission (formerly National Crime Authority)
CA	Community Affairs
CFS	Corporations and Financial Services
ECO	Economics
EWRE	Employment, Workplace Relations and Education
ECITA	Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts
FADT	Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
FPA	Finance and Public Administration
LC	Legal and Constitutional
MED	Medicare
MINMIG	Ministerial Discretion in Migration Matters
NT	Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund
RRAT	Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
SUPER	Superannuation

Political Affiliations

AD	Australian Democrats
AG	Australian Greens
ALP	Australian Labor Party
APA	Australian Progressive Alliance
CL	Country Labor
CLP	Country Liberal Party
GWA	Greens (Western Australia)
Ind	Independent
LP	Liberal Party of Australia
NPA	National Party of Australia
PHON	Pauline Hanson's One Nation

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Other publications available from the Committee Office:

- Committee Reports*
- Consolidated Register of Senate Committee Reports (1970 - 1998)
- Supplements are published at the end of each year
- The First 20 Years (History of Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees 1970 - 1990)
- Business of Committees (Program of committee public hearings held at Parliament House)**
- Public Hearings/Meetings list (list of all public hearings to be held in the following fortnight, published every Friday)**
- Bills to Committees Update (providing details on the progress of legislation through Senate committees)**
- Information pamphlets**-
 - No. 1 Notes to assist in the preparation of submissions to Senate Committee inquiries
 - No. 2 Information for witnesses appearing before Senate Committees (general information and notes to assist with the preparation of oral evidence before Senate committees)
 - 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)
 - No. 4 Government Guidelines for official witnesses before Parliamentary Committees and related matters (Extract)
- Guidelines for Committee Chairs
- Senate Committees: A Handbook for Senators' Staff

* *reports tabled since June 1997 available on the Internet*

** *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
ASIO, ASIS and DSD	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4348	6277 2067
Australian Crime Commission (formerly National Crime Authority)	Parliamentary Joint	S	6277 3598	6277 5866
Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4888	6277 4204
Community Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3515	6277 5829
Corporations and Financial Services	Parliamentary Joint	S	6277 3581	6277 5719
Economics*	LGPS	S	6277 3540	6277 5719
Electoral Matters	Joint Standing	H	6277 4564	6277 4710
Employment, Workplace Relations and Education*	LGPS	S	6277 3521	6277 5706
Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*	LGPS	S	6277 3526	6277 5818
Finance and Public Administration*	LGPS	S	6277 3531	6277 5809
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	Joint Standing	H	6277 4629	
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade*	LGPS	S	6277 3536	6277 5818
House	Standing	S	6277 3398	6277 3199
Legal and Constitutional*	LGPS	S	6277 3594	6277 5794
Library	Standing	L	6277 7102	6277 2403
Medicare	Select	S	6277 3527	6277 3830
Migration	Joint Standing	H	6277 4565	6277 8506
Ministerial Discretion in Migration Matters	Select	S	6277 3458	6277 5809
National Capital and External Territories	Joint Standing	H	6277 4348	6277 2067
Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5866
Privileges	Standing	S	6277 3357	6277 3199
Procedure	Standing	S	6277 3364	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 3448
Regulations and Ordinances	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3066	6277 5838
Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport*	LGPS	S	6277 3511	6277 5811
Scrutiny of Bills	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3051	6277 5838
Selection of Bills	Standing	S	6277 3020	6277 3098
Senators' Interests	Standing	S	6277 3357	6277 3199
Superannuation	Select	S	6277 3458	6277 3130
Treaties	Joint Standing	H	6277 4002	6277 2219

Code

- H** Department of the House of Representatives
- L** Department of the Parliamentary Library
- 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 Parliamentary Joint Committees; and
- Senate Select Committees

Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees

As indicated above, each Senate Standing Committee comprises a Legislation Committee and a References Committee. Under Senate Standing Orders, these Committees are re-established at the beginning of each Parliament and “stand ready” to inquire into and report on those matters relevant to their portfolio/subject area. Under Senate Standing Orders, Legislation Committees are established to inquire into and report on Bills, estimates, annual reports and the performance of government departments and agencies. Reference Committees inquire into and report on all other matters, generally broader policy issues.

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

Community Affairs

- Legislation
- References

Health and Aged Care; Family and
Community Services

Economics

- Legislation
- References

Treasury; Industry, Tourism and Resources

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education

- Legislation
- References

Education, Science and Training;
Employment and Workplace Relations

Environment, Communications,,
Information Technology and the Arts

- Legislation
- References

Environment and Heritage;
Communications, Information
Technology and the Arts

Finance and Public Administration

- Legislation
- References

Parliament; Prime Minister and Cabinet;
Finance and Administration

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

- Legislation
- References

Foreign Affairs and Trade; Defence (including
Veterans' Affairs)

Legal and Constitutional

- Legislation
- References

Attorney-General; Immigration and
Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs

Rural and Regional Affairs and
Transport

- Legislation
- References

Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry;
Transport and Regional Services

Parliamentary Joint Committees

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

- Australian Crime Commission (formerly National Crime Authority)
- Corporations and Financial Services; and
- Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund

Senate Select Committees

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

Medicare (appointed 15 May 2003);

Ministerial Discretion in Migration Matters (appointed 19 June 2003); and

Superannuation (appointed on 22 September 1999; re-established on 14 March 2002)

PART ONE

1 January 2003 - 30 June 2003

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

Community Affairs

Community Affairs

	Matters current as at 1 January	Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Legislation	0	4	4	0
References	2	1	0	3
Total	2	5	4	3

Number and Hours of Meeting							
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Total Meetings
Legislation	1	1:45	6	3	0:55	0	10
References	11	54:32	0	5	2:35	2	18
Total	12	56:17	6	8	3:30	2	28
							134:37

Meetings By State						
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	QLD
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	6	3	1	1	0	0
Total	6	3	1	1	0	0

Witnesses					Hansard Pages		
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Pages
Legislation	9	578	12	0	763	20	58
References	0	0	0	213	0	810	4337
Total	9	578	12	213	763	810	4395
							0

Community Affairs Legislation

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP), (elected Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) (elected Deputy Chair 12.2.03)	18.11.02
Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	28.8.02
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	20.3.03
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	1.7.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Paul Calvert*	14.2.02
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)**	16.9.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)***	16.9.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)^	18.9.02
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)^^	19.9.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)^^^	24.9.02
Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)^^^^	12.11.02
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)++	17.9.02
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)^^^^^	13.11.02
Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)^^^^^^	13.11.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)*^	18.11.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)*^^	6.2.03

*for Senator Herron till noon on 20 February 2002

**for Senator Denman for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002

***for Senator Heffernan for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002 on 17 September 2002 from 4.45pm until conclusion of business on that day

^for Senator Heffernan for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002 on 19 September 2002

***for Senator Hutchins for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002 on 19 September 2002 from 6.10pm until conclusion of business on that day

^^for Senator Heffernan for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002 on 24 & 26 September 2002

^^^for Senator Hutchins for Provisions of the Family and Community Services Legislation Amendment (Special Benefits Activity Test) Bill 2002

++for Senator Denman for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002 to 24.10.02

^^^^for Senator Denman for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 & 22 November 2002

^^^^^for Senator Hutchins for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 & 22 November 2002

*^for Senator Heffernan for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 November 2002

*^^for Senator Heffernan on 12 & 13 February 2003

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*	18.11.02
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NPA)	29.8.02
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)	29.8.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)**	13.2.02
Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP)	29.8.02
Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	11.3.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP)	28.8.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)***	13.2.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	19.8.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)	6.3.03
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	5.2.03
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP)	19.8.02

**for Health portfolio*

***for matters relating to Family & Community Services portfolio*

****for matters relating to the Health portfolio*

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	13.2.02-1.7.02
Senator the Hon John Herron (Qld, LP)	13.2.02-1.7.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	13.2.02-21.8.02
Senator the Hon John Herron (Qld, LP)	21.8.02-28.8.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) (Deputy Chair: 14.2.02-17.9.02)	13.2.02-17.9.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)	17.9.02-18.11.02
Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)	1.7.02-20.3.03

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator the Hon Rosemary Crowley (SA, ALP)	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Brenda Gibbs (Qld, ALP)	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)*	22.8.02-17.9.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)**	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)***	17.9.02-18.11.02
Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG)^	27.8.02-11.11.02
Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP)^^	16.9.02-11.11.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)^	27.8.02-11.11.02
Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)^^^	14.11.02-23.11.02

**for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002*

***for Family and Community Services portfolio*

****for Health portfolio*

^for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002

^^for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002

^^^for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 & 22 November 2002

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 30 June 2003

- Nil

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Health Legislation Amendment (Private Health Insurance Reform) Bill 2003 (referred 19 March 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 Additional estimates – 12 & 13 February 2003, Canberra
- Health Legislation Amendment (Private Health Insurance Reform) Bill 2003 – 15 May 2003, Canberra
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – 2, 3, 4 & 5 June 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 additional estimates – Report (tabled 19 March 2003)
- Annual reports (No.1 of 2003) (tabled 20 March 2003)
- Health Legislation Amendment (Private Health Insurance Reform) Bill 2003 (tabled 16 June 2003)
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – Report (tabled 19 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Estimates

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

Community Affairs References

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) (elected Chair- 1.7.02)	1.7.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) (elected Deputy Chair- 14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	20.3.03
Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD*)	13.2.02
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)	1.7.02

*representing the Australian Progressive Alliance from 28 April 2003

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)*	6.3.03

*replace Senator Lees for inquiry into children in institutional care

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*	18.11.02
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	11.3.02
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)**	18.11.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	11.3.02

Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)	6.3.03
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	5.2.03
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP)	19.8.02

**for Health and Ageing portfolio*

***for Family and Community Services portfolio*

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Rosemary Crowley (SA, ALP) (elected Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Brenda Gibbs (Qld, ALP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)	1.7.02-20.3.03

Former substitute members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Sue West (NSW, ALP)*	21.3.02-28.3.02

**replace Senator Gibbs from 21 March 2002 to 28 March 2002*

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	11.3.02-30.6.02
Senator Sue West (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)*	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)**	17.9.02-18.11.02

**for Family and Community Services portfolio*

***for Health portfolio*

Current inquiries

As at 1 January 2003

- Annual Ombudsman Report on the operations of the social security breaches and penalties system (referred 16 October 2002)
- Poverty in Australia (referred 21 October 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Annual Ombudsman Report on the operations of the social security breaches and penalties system (referred 16 October 2002)
- Poverty in Australia (referred 21 October 2002)
- Children in institutional care (referred 4 March 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Children in institutional care (referred 4 March 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Poverty in Australia – 29 April 2003, Adelaide; 30 April 2003, Melbourne; 1 May 2003, Melbourne; 2 May 2003, Hobart; 26 & 27 May 2003, Sydney; 28 May 2003, Merrylands; 29 May 2003, Newcastle; 19 & 20 June 2003, Canberra; 30 June 2003, Ballarat

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Economics

Economics

	Matters current as at 1 January	Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Legislation	1	14	10	5
References	1	1	0	2
Total	2	15	10	7

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	7	21:26	8	75:49	15	4:08	0	0:00	30	101:23
References	0	0:00	0	0:00	2	1:25	0	0:00	2	1:25
Total	7	21:26	8	75:49	17	5:33	0	0:00	32	102:48

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages					
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Submissions	No of Pages	Government Responses
Legislation	14	686	94	0	1002	205	0	121	898	0
References	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	1001	0
Total	14	686	94	0	1002	205	0	154	1899	0

Economics Legislation

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) (elected Chair - 14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) (elected Deputy Chair – 26.6.03)	24.6.03
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	13.2.02
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)	13.2.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	13.2.02
Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP)	1.7.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*	13.2.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)**	14.2.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)***	11.3.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)****	19.3.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)*****	16.5.02
Senator Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)*****	16.5.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)#	19.6.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)##	27.6.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)###	18.11.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)^	6.3.03
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)^^	6.3.03
Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)^^^	26.6.03

*replace Senator Murray for matters relating to Resources portfolio

**replace Senator Chapman from 5.30pm on 21 February 02 and 22 February 02

***replace Senator Chapman till 8 April 02

****replace Senator Murray on Taxation Laws Amendment (Superannuation) Bill (No.1) 2002
and Income Tax (Superannuation Payments Withholding Tax) Bill 2002 inquiry

*****replace Senator Chapman on 6 June 2002

*****replace Senator Chapman from 3 to 5 June 2002 and 7 June 2002 (if required)

#replace Senator Murray on Diesel Fuel Rebate Scheme Amendment Bill 2002 inquiry

##replace Senator Murray for the Space Activities Amendment Bill 2002 inquiry

###replace Senator Chapman for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 and 22 November 2002

^replace Senator Murray on inquiry into the provisions of the Energy Grants (Credits) Scheme Bill
2003 and a related bill

^^replace Senator Murray on inquiry into the provisions of the Designs Bill 2002 and a related bill

^^replace Senator Brandis from 30 June to 8 August 2003

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)	23.10.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)	13.3.02
Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon Peter Cook (WA, ALP)	20.6.02
Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	11.3.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	21.10.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)	23.10.02
Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)	6.3.03
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)	13.2.02
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)^	14.11.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)	14.5.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	14.2.02

^for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 & 22 November 2002

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Chris Schacht (SA, ALP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair - 14.2.02)	13.2.02-24.6.03

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)

Term of appointment

14.2.02-30.6.02

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Provisions of the Corporations Amendment (Repayment of Directors' Bonuses) Bill 2002 (referred 11 December 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Bill 2003 (referred 19 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No.5) 2003 (referred 18 June 2003)
- Provisions of the Trade Practices Amendment (Personal Injuries and Death) Bill 2003 (referred 18 June 2003)
- The New Business Tax System (Taxation of Financial Arrangements) Bill (No.1) 2003 (referred 25 June 2003)
- The provisions of the Financial Services Reform Amendment Bill 2003 (referred 25 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Designs Bill 2002 and the Designs (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2002 (referred 5 March 2003)
- Energy Grants (Credits) Scheme Bill 2003 and the Energy Grants (Credits) Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2003 (referred 5 March 2003)
- Corporations (Fees) Amendment Bill 2002, the Corporations Legislation Amendment Bill 2002 and the Corporations (Review Fees) Bill 2002 (referred 5 March 2003)
- Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Bill 2003 (referred 19 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No. 4) 2003 (referred 19 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No. 8) 2002 (referred 19 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Terrorism Insurance Bill 2002 (referred 19 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No.5) 2003 (referred 18 June 2003)
- Provisions of the Trade Practices Amendment (Personal Injuries and Death) Bill 2003 (referred 18 June 2003)
- The New Business Tax System (Taxation of Financial Arrangements) Bill (No.1) 2003 (referred 25 June 2003)
- The provisions of the Financial Services Reform Amendment Bill 2003 (referred 25 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 Additional estimates – 12, 13 & 14 February 2003, Canberra
- Provisions of the Corporations Amendment (Repayment of Directors' Bonuses) Bill 2002 – 6 March 2003 (Roundtable), Canberra
- Energy Grants (Credits) Scheme Bill 2003 and the Energy Grants (Credits) Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2003 – 18 March 2003 (Roundtable), Canberra
- Corporations (Fees) Amendment Bill 2002, the Corporations Legislation Amendment Bill 2002 and the Corporations (Review Fees) Bill 2002 – 24 March 2003, Canberra
- Provisions of the Terrorism Insurance Bill 2002 – 1 May 2003, Canberra
- Designs Bill 2002 and the Designs (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2002 – 2 May 2003, Canberra
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 June 2003, Canberra
- Provisions of the Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No. 4) 2003 – 11 June 2003, Canberra
- Provisions of the Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No. 8) 2002 – 11 June 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 additional estimates – Report (tabled 19 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Corporations Amendment (Repayment of Directors' Bonuses) Bill 2002 (tabled 19 March 2003)
- Annual reports (No.1 of 2003) (tabled 20 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Energy Grants (Credits) Scheme Bill 2003 and the Energy Grants (Credits) Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2003 (tabled 24 March 2003)
- Corporations Legislation Amendment Bill 2002, the Corporations (Fees) Amendment Bill 2002 and the Corporations (Review Fees) Bill 2002 (tabled 26 March 2003)
- Report – Terrorism Insurance Bill 2002 (tabled 14 May 2003)
- Provisions of the Designs Bill 2002 and the Designs (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2002 (presented out of session on 28 May 2003, tabled 16 June 2003)
- Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No.8) 2002 (tabled 19 June 2003)
- Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No.4) 2003 (tabled 19 June 2003)
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – Report (tabled 23 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Estimates

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

Economics References

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) (elected Chair – 26.6.03)	24.6.03
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) (elected Deputy Chair - 20.2.02)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP)	5.2.03
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)	13.2.02
Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP)	1.7.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*	13.2.02
Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)**	26.6.03

**replace Senator Ridgeway for matters relating to Resources portfolio*

***replace Senator Brandis from 30 June to 8 August 2003*

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (Qld, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)	23.10.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)	13.3.02
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	11.3.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	21.10.02

Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)	23.10.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)	13.2.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)	14.5.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	11.3.02

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator the Hon Peter Cook (WA, ALP)	13.2.02-19.8.02
Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP)	19.8.02-5.2.03
Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) (elected Chair - 20.2.02)	13.2.02-24.6.03

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	11.3.02-30.6.02

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- The structure and distributive effects of the Australian taxation system (referred 12 December 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- The structure and distributive effects of the Australian taxation system (referred 12 December 2002)
- Whether the *Trade Practices Act 1974* adequately protects small business (referred 25 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Whether the *Trade Practices Act 1974* adequately protects small business (referred 25 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education

Matters current as at 1 January	Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Legislation	1	5 +(1*)	0
References	3	1	3
Total	4	6	3

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	2	8:00	7	68:12	5	0:30	0	0:00	14	76:42
References	13	45:26	0	0:00	8	1:15	15	28:02	36	74:43
Total	15	53:26	7	68:12	13	1:45	15	28:02	50	151:25

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	13	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
References	7	4	5	2	3	3	4	8
Total	20	4	6	2	3	3	4	8

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages					
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Submissions	No of Pages	Government Responses
Legislation	7	236	22	0	925	77	0	32	726	0
References	1	0	0	333	0	0	1120	101	1763	0
Total	8	236	22	333	925	77	1120	133	2489	0

*Interim Report that did not discharge a reference

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Legislation

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP), (elected Chair - 14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair - 14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)	19.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator David Johnston (WA, LP)	1.7.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)	13.2.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)*	13.2.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)**	13.2.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)****	13.2.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)^^	14.2.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)^^^	14.2.02
Senator the Hon John Herron (Qld, LP)^^^^	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)^^^^^	16.5.02
Senator Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)^^^^^^	16.5.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)#	19.6.02
Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)##	19.6.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)###	24.6.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)*^	27.6.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)**^	27.6.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)***	27.8.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)****	15.5.02

**replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Workplace Relations portfolio*

***replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Schools portfolio*

****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Training portfolio*

*****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Employment portfolio*

^^replace Senator Crane on 20 February 2002

^^^replace Senator Brandis on 21 February 2002

^^^^replace Senator Brandis on 22 February 2002

^^^^^replace Senator Barnett on 5 June 2002

^^^^^^replace Senator Barnett on 6 June 2002 and 7 June 2002 (if required)

#replace Senator Barnett for 2002-03 Budget estimates on 21 June 2002

##replace Senator Ferris for 2002-03 Budget estimates on 21 June 2002

###replace Senator Murray on the Workplace Relations Amendment (Paid Maternity Leave) Bill 2002 inquiry

**^replace Senator G Campbell for the Higher Education Funding Bill 2002 inquiry*

***^replace Senator Carr for Workplace Relations Amendment Bill 2002 inquiry*

*****replace Senator Johnston for 2003-04 Budget estimates from 2 June to 4 June 2003*

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)	26.6.03
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)	20.3.03
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)	13.3.02
Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	11.3.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	24.6.03
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	19.8.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)	16.5.02
Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)	23.10.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	1.7.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)***	14.11.02
Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP)	18.11.02
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL)	11.11.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP)	19.8.02

**for Workplace Relations Legislation Amendment (More Jobs, Better Pay) Bill 1999 inquiry*

***for Workplace Relations Legislation Amendment (More Jobs, Better Pay) Bill 1999 inquiry*

****for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 & 22 November 2002*

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)	13.2.02-19.3.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	13.2.02-30.6.02

Former substitute members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)^	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)***	13.2.02-27.8.02

^replace Senator Brandis for matters relating to Employment and Workplace Relations portfolio

****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Training portfolio*

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	11.3.02-30.6.02
Senator Brenda Gibbs (Qld, ALP)	14.2.02-30.6.02

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Provisions of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Termination of Employment) Bill 2002 (referred 11 December 2002)

Current inquiry

As at 30 June 2003

- Nil

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting the Low Paid) Bill 2003 (referred 19 March 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 Additional estimates – 12, 13 & 14 February 2003, Canberra
- Provisions of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Termination of Employment) Bill 2002 - 24 February 2003, Melbourne
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting the Low Paid) Bill 2003 – 27 May 2003, Canberra
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – 2, 3, 4 & 5 June 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 additional estimates – Report (tabled 19 March 2003)
- Annual reports (No.1 of 2003) (tabled 20 March 2003)
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Termination of Employment) Bill 2002 (tabled 26 March 2003)
- Interim report on Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting the Low Paid) Bill 2003 (presented out of session on 2 May 2003; tabled on 13 May 2003)
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – Report (tabled 19 June 2003)
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting the Low Paid) Bill 2003 (tabled 19 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Estimates

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

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) (elected Chair - 14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) (elected Deputy Chair - 14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)	19.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)	13.2.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)**	13.2.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)***	13.2.02
Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP)*****	21.3.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)****	27.8.02

***replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Schools portfolio*

****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Employment portfolio*

*****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Training portfolio*

******replace Senator Carr for small business employment inquiry*

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)	26.6.03
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)	13.3.02
Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	11.3.02

Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	11.3.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	24.6.03
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator David Johnston (WA, LP)	27.8.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	19.8.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)	16.5.02
Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)	23.10.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)	19.3.03
Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)	25.6.03
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	1.7.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP)	18.11.02
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL)	11.11.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP)	19.8.02

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)	13.2.02-19.3.02

Former substitute members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)*	13.2.02-27.8.02
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)**	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)***	27.6.02-18.11.02

**replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Training portfolio*

***replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Workplace Relations portfolio*

****replace Senator Cherry for small business employment hearings in Western Australia and Melbourne*

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	11.3.02-30.6.02
Senator the Hon Rosemary Crowley (SA, ALP)	14.2.02-30.6.02

Current inquiries

As at 1 January 2003

- Small business employment (referred 20 March 2002)
- The refusal of the Government to respond to the order of the Senate of 21 August 2002 for the production of documents relating to financial information concerning higher education institutions (referred 18 September 2002)
- Labour market skills requirements (referred 23 October 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- The refusal of the Government to respond to the order of the Senate of 21 August 2002 for the production of documents relating to financial information concerning higher education institutions (referred 18 September 2002)
- Labour market skills requirements (referred 23 October 2002)
- Higher education funding & regulatory legislation (referred 26 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Higher education funding & regulatory legislation (referred 26 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Labour market skills requirements – 31 March 2003, Brisbane; 7 April 2003, Perth; 14 April 2003, Launceston; 15 April 2003, Dandenong; 16 & 17 April 2003, Melbourne; 5 May 2003, Newcastle; 6 & 7 May 2003, Sydney; 10 & 11 June 2003, Darwin; 12 June 2003, Adelaide; 20 June 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Report – Small business employment (tabled 6 February 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

**Environment, Communications,
Information Technology
and the Arts**

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts

	Matters current as at 1 January	Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Legislation	0	5 +(1^)	3	2
References	3	2	0	5
Total	3	7	3	7

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	0		66:54	7	1:20	0	0:00	14	68:14
References	24	0	0:00	11	2:57	9	8:05	44	61:56
Total	24	7	66:54	18	4:17	9	8:05	58	130:10

Meetings By State							
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	5	5	3	3	3	0	11
Total	5	5	3	3	3	0	11

Witnesses						Hansard Pages		
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Submissions	No of Pages
Legislation	7	364	0	0	777	0	267	435
References	0	0	112	0	0	995	38	357
Total	7	364	112	777	0	995	305	792
								2

^Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Invasive Species) Bill 2002 transferred to References Committee

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP), (elected Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP), (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)	13.2.02
Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)*	13.2.02
Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP)	18.11.02

elected Chair on 29.5.03 for 29 and 30 May 2003

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)*	13.2.02
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)**	18.11.02
Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP)***	23.6.03

**replace Senator Bartlett for Information Technology portfolio*

***replace Senator Bartlett for the Arts portfolio*

****replace Senator Mackay for the inquiry into Plastic Bag Levy (Assessment and Collection) Bill 2992 (No.2) and the Plastic Bag (Minimisation of Usage) Education Fund Bill 2002 (No.2)*

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG)	14.5.02
Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)*	18.11.02
Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02

Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	24.6.03
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)	13.2.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	26.8.02
Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)	15.5.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP)	1.7.02

**for matters relating to Communications portfolio*

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	1.7.02-18.11.02

Former substitute members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Vicki Bourne (NSW, AD)*	22.3.02-30.6.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)**	15.5.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)***	15.10.02
Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)****	21.10.02
Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)*****	23.10.02

**replace Senator Bartlett for the provisions of the Broadcasting Services*

Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill 2002 inquiry

***replace Senator Calvert for the provisions of the Broadcasting Services Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill 2002 inquiry*

****replace Senator Bartlett for the provisions of the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Bill 2002 and provisions of the Telecommunications Competition Bill 2002*

*****replace Senator Lundy for the provisions of the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Bill 2002*

******replace Senator Tierney for the provisions of the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Bill 2002*

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Vicki Bourne (NSW, AD)*	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)**	13.2.02-18.11.02

*for matters relating to Communications portfolio

**for matters relating to Information Technology

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Nil

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- The Plastic Bag Levy (Assessment and Collection) Bill 2002 [No. 2] and the Plastic Bag (Minimisation of Usage) Education Fund Bill 2002 [No. 2] (referred 5 March 2003)
- The provisions of the Postal Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 (referred 25 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- The Plastic Bag Levy (Assessment and Collection) Bill 2002 [No. 2] and the Plastic Bag (Minimisation of Usage) Education Fund Bill 2002 [No. 2] (referred 5 March 2003)
- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Invasive Species) Bill 2002 (referred 26 March 2003) (*Note: reference transferred to the ECITA References Committee on 26 June 2003*)
- The provisions of the Postal Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 (referred 25 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 Additional estimates – 10 & 11 February 2003, Canberra
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – 26, 27, 28, 29 & 30 May 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 additional estimates – Report (tabled 19 March 2003)
- Annual reports (No.1 of 2003) (tabled 20 March 2003)
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – Report (tabled 19 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Estimates

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

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD), (elected Chair-27.3.03)	27.3.03
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP), (elected Deputy Chair-19.9.02)	13.2.02
Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	13.2.02
Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP)	1.7.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)*	20.6.02
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)**	26.8.02
Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)***	16.9.02
Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)#	6.12.02
Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)##	6.2.03

**replace Senator Mackay for inquiry into Ranger, Jabiluka, Beverley and Honeymoon uranium operations*

***replace Senator Lundy for inquiry into Ranger, Jabiluka, Beverley and Honeymoon uranium operations*

****replace Senator Tierney for inquiry into environmental performance at the Ranger, Jabiluka, Beverley and Honeymoon uranium operations and as Deputy Chair*

#replace Senator Wong for inquiry into Australian telecommunications network

##replace Senator Wong for inquiry into The role of libraries as providers of public information in the online environment

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)	27.3.03
Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG)	14.5.02
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP)	21.3.02

Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)**	13.2.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	24.6.03
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)	13.2.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)****	19.8.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	26.8.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)***	13.2.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP)^	5.2.03

***for matters relating to Information Technology portfolio*

****for matters relating to Arts portfolio*

*****for inquiry into Ranger, Jabiluka, Beverley and Honeymoon uranium operations*

^for inquiry into Australian telecommunications network

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD), (elected Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02-27.3.03

Former substitute members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)*****	15.10.02

******replace Senator Scullion for inquiry into environmental performance at the Ranger, Jabiluka, Beverley and Honeymoon uranium operations on 18.10.02*

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	11.3.02-30.6.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)*	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)**	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	11.3.02-19.8.02

**for matters relating to the Environment portfolio*

***for matters relating to Information Technology portfolio*

Current inquiries

As at 1 January 2003

- The regulatory, monitoring and reporting regimes that govern environmental performance at the Ranger and Jabiluka uranium operations in the Northern Territory and the Beverley and Honeymoon *in situ* leach operations in South Australia (referred 20 June 2002)
- The role of libraries as providers of public information in the online environment (referred 25 June 2002)
- Australian telecommunications network (referred 25 June 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- The regulatory, monitoring and reporting regimes that govern environmental performance at the Ranger and Jabiluka uranium operations in the Northern Territory and the Beverley and Honeymoon *in situ* leach operations in South Australia (referred 20 June 2002)
- The role of libraries as providers of public information in the online environment (referred 25 June 2002)
- Australian telecommunications network (referred 25 June 2002)
- Broadband competition (referred 26 June 2003)
- Invasive species (referred 26 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Broadband competition (referred 26 June 2003)
- Invasive species and Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Invasive Species) Bill 2002 (the former referred 26 June 2003 and the latter transferred from Legislation Committee]

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- The role of libraries as providers of public information in the online environment – 28 March 2003, Canberra; 22 April 2003, Ballarat; 23 April 2003, Mildura; 24 April 2003, Launceston; 28 April 2003, Cairns; 29 April 2003, Rockhampton; 30 April 2003, Caboolture; 8 May 2003, Adelaide; 9 May 2003, Bunbury; 14 May 2003, Canberra; 19 May 2003, Sydney; 20 May 2003, Newcastle

- Australian telecommunications network - 28 March 2003, Canberra; 22 April 2003, Ballarat; 23 April 2003, Mildura; 24 April 2003, Launceston; 28 April 2003, Cairns; 29 April 2003, Rockhampton; 30 April 2003, Caboolture; 8 May 2003, Adelaide; 9 May 2003, Bunbury; 14 May 2003, Canberra; 19 May 2003, Sydney; 20 May 2003, Newcastle

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Report – Electromagnetic radiation (tabled 6 February 2003; report tabled 22 May 2001)
- Report – Commonwealth environment powers (tabled 15 May 2003; report tabled 27 May 1999)

Finance and Public Administration

Finance and Public Administration

	Matters current as at 1 January	Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Legislation	1	3	3	1
References	2	4	1	5
Total	3	7	4	6

Number and Hours of Meeting							
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Total Meetings
Legislation	0	6	63:22	5	1:51	0	11
References	1	0	0:00	6	1:31	0	7
Total	1	6	63:22	11	3:22	0	18
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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	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Submissions
Legislation	312	0	0	725	0	0	0
References	0	0	14	0	0	113	442
Total	312	0	14	725	0	113	442
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Finance and Public Administration Legislation

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) (elected Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)	13.2.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	1.7.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon John Herron (Qld, LP)*	16.5.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)**	18.11.02

**replace Senator Brandis from 3.30pm till 6.00pm on 16 May 2002*

***replace Senator Heffernan for the consideration of the 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 20.11.02*

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	21.10.02
Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP)	14.3.02
Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	14.2.02

Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)	15.5.02
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)	13.2.02
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	14.2.02

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	13.2.02-30.6.02

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	14.2.02-30.6.02

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Portfolio Budget Statements (*referred 21 November 1996; readopted 2 December 1998*)
(readopted 21 March 2002)

Current inquiry

As at 30 June 2003

- Portfolio Budget Statements (*referred 21 November 1996; readopted 2 December 1998*)
(readopted 21 March 2002)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 Additional estimates – 10 & 11 February 2003, Canberra
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – 26, 27, 28 & 29 May 2003, Canberra
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Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 additional estimates – Report (tabled 19 March 2003)
- Annual reports (No.1 of 2003) (tabled 20 March 2003)
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – Report (tabled 19 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Estimates

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

Finance and Public Administration References

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) (elected Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	1.7.02
Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)	25.6.03
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)	13.2.02
Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP)	1.7.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)*	6.3.03
Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)**	27.3.03
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)***	27.3.03
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)****	19.6.03
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)*****	23.6.03
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)^	26.6.03

**replace Senator Ridgeway on the recruitment and training in the Australian Public Service inquiry*

***replace Senator Marshall for the funding of the Dairy Regional Assistance Program inquiry*

****replace Senator Ridgeway for the funding of the Dairy Regional Assistance Program inquiry*

*****replace Senator Ridgeway for the Administrative review within the area of veteran and military compensation and income support*

******replace Senator Wong for the Administrative review within the area of veteran and military compensation and income support*

^replace Senator Ridgeway for the inquiry into Staff employed under the Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	11.3.02

Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	21.10.02
Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP)	19.8.02
Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)*	27.3.03
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)	13.2.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	11.3.02

**for the funding of the Dairy Regional Assistance Program inquiry*

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Chris Schacht (SA, ALP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)	1.7.02-25.6.03

Former substitute members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*	21.3.02-6.3.03

**replace Senator Ridgeway recruitment and training in the Australian Public Service inquiry*

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	11.3.02-30.6.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	11.3.02-19.8.02

**for public service issues*

Current inquiries

As at 1 January 2003

- Recruitment and training in the Australian Public Service (referred 21 March 2002)
- Tabling of indexed lists of files of departments and agencies (referred 21 August 1996 pursuant to the order of 30 May 1996; readopted 1 December 1998) (readopted 21 March 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Recruitment and training in the Australian Public Service (referred 21 March 2002)
- Tabling of indexed lists of files of departments and agencies (referred 21 August 1996 pursuant to the order of 30 May 1996; readopted 1 December 1998) (readopted 21 March 2002)
- Staff employed under the *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984* (referred 19 March 2003)
- Second year of operation of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts (ordered 18 June 2003)
- Administrative review within the area of veteran and military compensation and income support (referred 19 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Staff employed under the *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984* (referred 19 March 2003)
- Funding under the Dairy Regional Assistance Program (referred 27 March 2003)
- Second year of operation of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts (ordered 18 June 2003)
- Administrative review within the area of veteran and military compensation and income support (referred 19 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Funding under the Dairy Regional Assistance Program – 8 May 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Report – A funding matter under the Dairy Regional Assistance Program (tabled 26 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Departmental and agency contracts: Report on the first year of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts (tabled 19 June 2003; report tabled 12 December 2002)
- Government's information technology outsourcing initiative: Final report—Rebooting the IT agenda in the Australian Public Service (tabled 19 June 2003; report tabled 28 August 2001)

**Foreign Affairs, Defence
and Trade**

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

Matters current as at 1 January	Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Legislation	0	4	1
References	4	1	6
Total	4	5	7

Number and Hours of Meeting							
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs
Legislation	3	3:52	7	8	1:10	0	0:00
References	11	45:20	0	6	4:12	2	2:56
Total	14	49:12	7	14	5:22	2	2:56
						37	123:35

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

Witnesses						Hansard Pages		
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Submissions	No of Pages
Legislation	9	497	0	744	40	0	7	56
References	4	0	114	0	0	783	203	1866
Total	13	497	114	744	40	783	210	1922
								1

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NPA) (elected Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator the Hon Peter Cook (WA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-20.8.02)	19.8.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	13.2.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	13.2.02
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)	1.7.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)*	14.2.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)**	29.8.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)***	18.11.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)****	18.11.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)#	18.11.02
Senator David Johnston (WA, LP)##	18.11.02
Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)###	19.11.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)####	19.11.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)^	6.2.03
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)^^	6.2.03
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)^^^	15.5.03
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)^^^	16.6.03

*to replace Senator Sandy Macdonald on 22.2.02

**replace Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into materiel acquisition and management in Defence

***replace Senator Ferguson for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21.11.02

****replace Senator S Macdonald for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02

#replace Senator Ferguson for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02

##replace Senator Payne for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02

###replace Senator Ferguson for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02

####replace Senator Evans for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02

^replace Senator Sandy Macdonald on 14 February 2003

^^replace Senator Ferguson from 5.00pm on 13 February 2003 and 14 February 2003

^^^replace Senator Payne for 2003-04 Budget estimates on 6 June 2003

^^^replace Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into the off-setting arrangements between the Veterans' Entitlements Act and the Military Compensation Scheme

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)*	25.6.03
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	11.3.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP)	19.8.02
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator David Johnston (WA, LP)	27.8.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	21.10.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	19.8.02
Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP)	16.9.02
Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	1.7.02
Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)^	14.11.02
Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP)	18.11.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)	22.8.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	14.2.02

^for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 & 22 November 2002

**for Defence and Veterans' Affairs portfolio*

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Vicki Bourne (NSW, AD)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02-19.8.02

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Jim McKiernan (WA, ALP)	14.2.02-30.6.02

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 30 June 2003

- *Veterans' Entitlement Act 1986* and the Military Compensation Scheme (adopted 6 March 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- *Veterans' Entitlement Act 1986* and the Military Compensation Scheme (adopted 6 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Export Market Development Grants Amendment Bill 2003 (referred 18 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 Additional estimates – 12, 13 & 14 February 2003, Canberra
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – 2, 3, 4 & 5 June 2003, Canberra
- *Veterans' Entitlement Act 1986* and the Military Compensation Scheme – 16 & 23 June 2003, Canberra
- Provisions of the Export Market Development Grants Amendment Bill 2003 – 19 June 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 additional estimates – Report (tabled 19 March 2003)
- Annual reports (No.1 of 2003) (tabled 20 March 2003)
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – Report (tabled 19 June 2003)
- Report - Export Market Development Grants Amendment Bill 2003 (tabled 24 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Estimates

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

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Peter Cook (WA, ALP) (elected Chair-20.8.02)	19.8.02
Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NPA) (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator David Johnston (WA, LP)	1.7.02
Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)	1.7.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)*	25.3.03
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)**	19.6.03
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)***	23.6.03

**for Senator Ridgeway on inquiry into the performance of government agencies in the assessment and dissemination of security threats in South East Asia in the period 11 September 2001 to 12 October 2002*

***for Senator Ridgeway for the Current health preparation arrangements for the deployment of Australian Defence Forces overseas inquiry*

****for Senator Marshall for the Current health preparation arrangements for the deployment of Australian Defence Forces overseas inquiry*

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)**	25.6.03
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG)	19.6.03
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP)	5.2.03
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	13.3.02

Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	11.3.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP)*	26.3.03
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	21.10.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	1.7.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP)	18.11.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)	22.8.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	11.3.02

**for inquiry into the performance of government agencies in the assessment and dissemination of security threats in South East Asia in the period 11 September 2001 to 12 October 2002*

***for Defence and Veterans' Affairs portfolio*

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Vicki Bourne (NSW, AD)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Sue West (NSW, ALP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	1.7.02-19.8.02

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	11.3.02-30.6.02
Senator Jim McKiernan (WA, ALP)	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)	1.7.02-18.11.02

Current inquiries

As at 1 January 2003

- Materiel acquisition and management in Defence (referred 13 March 2002)
- Australia's relationship with Papua New Guinea and other Pacific island countries (referred 13 March 2002)
- An examination of the Government's foreign and trade policy strategy (referred 10 December 2002)
- The relevant issues involved in the negotiation of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) in the Doha Development Round of the World Trade Organisation (referred 12 December 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Australia's relationship with Papua New Guinea and other Pacific island countries (referred 13 March 2002)
- An examination of the Government's foreign and trade policy strategy (referred 10 December 2002)
- The relevant issues involved in the negotiation of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) in the Doha Development Round of the World Trade Organisation (referred 12 December 2002)
- The performance of government agencies in the assessment and dissemination of security threats in South East Asia in the period 11 September 2001 to 12 October 2002 (referred 24 March 2003)
- Report by the Director of Trials of the Review of Test and Evaluation in Defence (referred 14 May 2003)
- Current health preparation arrangements for the deployment of Australian Defence Forces overseas (referred 19 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- The performance of government agencies in the assessment and dissemination of security threats in South East Asia in the period 11 September 2001 to 12 October 2002 (referred 24 March 2003)
- Report by the Director of Trials of the Review of Test and Evaluation in Defence (referred 14 May 2003)
- Current health preparation arrangements for the deployment of Australian Defence Forces overseas (referred 19 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Materiel acquisition and management in Defence – 7 February 2003, Canberra
- Australia's relationship with Papua New Guinea and other Pacific island countries – 18 February 2003, Brisbane; 19 February 2003, Sydney; 20 February 2003, Melbourne; 27 & 28 March 2003, Canberra
- The relevant issues involved in the negotiation of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) in the Doha Development Round of the World Trade Organisation – 8 & 9 May 2003, Melbourne
- Inquiry into foreign affairs and trade policy - 19 June 2003, Canberra
- The performance of government agencies in the assessment and dissemination of security threats in South East Asia in the period 11 September 2001 to 12 October 2002 – 19 & 20 June 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Materiel acquisition and management in Defence (tabled 27 March 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Report into recruitment and retention of ADF personnel (presented out of session on 15 April 2003; tabled on 13 May 2003)

Legal and Constitutional

Legal and Constitutional

	Matters current as at 1 January	Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Legislation	1	8	6 + (1*)	3
References	1	2	0	3
Total	2	10	6	6

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	3	9:55	6	66:04	11	0:27	0	0:00	20	76:26
References	7	18:28	0	0:00	4	0:09	0	0:00	11	18:37
Total	10	28:23	6	66:04	15	0:36	0	0:00	31	95:03

	Meetings By State							
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	17	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
References	7	2	1	0	0	0	1	0
Total	24	4	2	0	0	0	1	0

	Televised Hearings	Witnesses			Hansard Pages			No of Pages	Government Responses
		Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General		
Legislation	7	256	3	11	687	11	26	1306	0
References	4	0	0	55	0	0	240	204	1
Total	11	256	3	66	687	11	266	1510	1

*Interim Report that did not discharge a reference

Legal and Constitutional Legislation

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP), (elected Chair-14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-29.8.02)	1.7.02
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)	13.2.02
Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	13.2.02
Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	13.2.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)*	27.8.02

**replace Senator Greig for the Indigenous Affairs portfolio*

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)*	13.2.02
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG)	14.5.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	14.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	24.6.03
Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	19.8.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)	1.7.02

Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	1.7.02
Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)	15.5.02
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL)	1.7.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)	27.8.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	14.2.02

**for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs portfolio*

Former members

Term of appointment

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)* 13.2.02-27.8.02

**replace Senator Greig for the Indigenous Affairs portfolio*

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Statutory powers and functions of the Australian Law Reform Commission (referred 11 March 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Provisions of the Family Law Amendment Bill 2003 (referred 14 May 2003)
- The provisions of the Migration Legislation Amendment (Sponsorship Measures) Bill 2003 (referred 25 June 2003)
- Australian Protective Service Amendment Bill 2003 (referred 26 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Customs Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2002 (referred 5 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Australian Human Rights Commission Legislation Bill 2003 (referred 27 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Family Law Amendment Bill 2003 (referred 14 May 2003)
- The provisions of the Migration Legislation Amendment (Sponsorship Measures) Bill 2003 (referred 25 June 2003)
- Australian Protective Service Amendment Bill 2003 (referred 26 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Customs Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2002 – 19 March 2003, Canberra
- Provisions of the Australian Human Rights Commission Legislation Bill 2003 – 29 April 2003, Sydney; 14 May 2003, Canberra
- 2002-03 Additional estimates – 10 & 11 February 2003, Canberra
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – 26, 27, 28 & 29 May 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 additional estimates – Report (tabled 20 March 2003)
- Final Report – Powers and Functions of the Australian Law Reform Commission (tabled 20 March 2003)
- Interim Report - Customs Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2002 (tabled on 25 March 2003)
- Customs Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2002 (presented on 4 April 2003; tabled on 13 May 2003)
- Annual reports (No.1 of 2003) (tabled 15 May 2003)
- Provisions of the Australian Human Rights Commission Legislation Bill 2003 (presented on 29 May 2003; tabled on 17 June 2003)
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – Report (tabled 19 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Estimates

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

Legal and Constitutional References

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) (elected Chair-1.7.02)	1.7.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP), (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02)	14.2.02
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)	13.2.02
Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL)	1.7.02
Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	14.2.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)*	27.8.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)**	5.2.03
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)***	26.6.03

**replace Senator Greig for Indigenous Affairs portfolio*

***replace Senator Stephens inquiry into Progress towards national reconciliation*

****replace Senator Greig for the inquiry into establishment of an Australian Republic with an Australian Head of State*

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)*	13.2.02
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG)	11.3.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	11.3.02

Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	24.6.03
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	19.8.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)	1.7.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG)	1.7.02
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)	27.8.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	11.3.02

**for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs portfolio*

Former members

Term of appointment

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)*	13.2.02-27.8.02
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**replace Senator Greig for Indigenous Affairs portfolio*

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Progress towards national reconciliation (referred 27 August 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Progress towards national reconciliation (referred 27 August 2002)
- The capacity of current legal aid and access to justice arrangements to meet the community need for legal assistance (referred 17 June 2003)
- Establishment of an Australian Republic with an Australian Head of State (referred 26 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- The capacity of current legal aid and access to justice arrangements to meet the community need for legal assistance (referred 17 June 2003)
- Establishment of an Australian Republic with an Australian Head of State (referred 26 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Progress towards national reconciliation – 4 April 2003, Sydney; 14 & 15 May 2003, Canberra; 19 May 2003, Melbourne; 11 June 2003, Darwin; 18 & 24 June 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Inquiry into the Commonwealth's actions in relation to *Ryker (Faulkner) v The Commonwealth and Flint* (tabled 15 May 2003; report tabled 30 April 1996)

**Rural and Regional Affairs
and Transport**

Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport

Matters current as at 1 January	Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Legislation	4	7	5
References	2	0	2
Total	6	7	7

Number and Hours of Meeting							
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Total Meetings
Legislation	10	30:36	8	13	3:16	0	31
References	4	19:23	0	7	1:57	1	12
Total	14	49:59	8	20	5:13	1	43
							105:42
							21:38
							127:20

Meetings By State							
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	30	0	0	0	1	0	0
References	11	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total	41	0	1	0	1	0	0

Witnesses					Hansard Pages		
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Submissions
Legislation	17	243	78	4	682	278	39
References	3	0	5	22	0	479	64
Total	20	243	83	26	682	300	518
							406
							469
							875
							124
							60
							64
							1
							1
							2

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) (elected Chair-3.7.02)	1.7.02
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair - 14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)	13.2.02
Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)	25.3.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) [was Chair from 20.6.02 to 24.6.02]	13.2.02
Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)	13.2.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)*	14.2.02
Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)**	13.3.02
Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP)***	18.11.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)****	18.11.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)#	18.11.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)##	6.2.03

**replace Senator Crane on 18 and 19 February 2002*

***replace Senator Ferris from 19 March 2002 till close of business on 22 March 2002*

****replace Senator Heffernan for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 20.11.02*

*****replace Senator Heffernan for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02*

#replace Senator Colbeck for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02

##replace Senator Colbeck on 14 February 2003

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*	18.11.02
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG)	14.5.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02

Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	25.6.02
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)***	16.10.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	19.3.03
Senator Jan McLucas	14.2.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)	15.5.02
Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP)	18.11.02
Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL)	1.7.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	14.2.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	14.2.02

**for matters relating to the Transport portfolio*

****for Air Safety matters*

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	13.2.02-25.3.02
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) (elected Chair - 14.2.02)	13.2.02-19.6.02
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	19.6.02-24.6.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) [was Chair from 20.6.02 to 24.6.02]	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) (elected Chair - 24.6.02)	24.6.02-30.6.02

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)	19.6.02-30.6.02
Senator Jim McKiernan (WA, ALP)	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)*	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)**	13.2.02-18.11.02

**for animal welfare issues*

***for Fisheries and Transport portfolios*

Current inquiries

As at 1 January 2003

- Administration of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (adopted 22 October 1999) (re-adopted 13 March 2002)
- Import risk assessment on New Zealand apples (referred 2 November 2000) (re-adopted 13 March 2002)
- Administration of AuSAR in relation to the search for the *Margaret J* (referred 25 June 2001) (re-adopted 13 March 2002)
- Transport Safety Investigation Bill 2002 (referred 16 October 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Administration of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (adopted 22 October 1999) (re-adopted 13 March 2002)
- Import risk assessment on New Zealand apples (referred 2 November 2000) (re-adopted 13 March 2002)
- Administration of AuSAR in relation to the search for the *Margaret J* (referred 25 June 2001) (re-adopted 13 March 2002)
- Provisions of the Aviation Transport Security Bill 2003; **and** the Aviation Transport Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2003 (referred 26 March 2003)
- Australian Wool Innovation – Expenditure of Funds under Statutory Funding Agreement (adopted 26 May 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- The provisions of the Wheat Marketing Amendment Bill 2002 (referred 5 February 2003)
- Provisions of the Dairy Industry Service Reform Bill 2003 and the Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment (Dairy) Bill 2003 (referred 19 March 2003)
- Provisions of the Aviation Transport Security Bill 2003; **and** the Aviation Transport Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2003 (referred 26 March 2003)
- Civil Aviation Amendment Bill 2003 (referred 26 March 2003)
- Australian Wool Innovation – Expenditure of Funds under Statutory Funding Agreement (adopted 26 May 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2002-03 Additional estimates – 10 & 11 February 2003, Canberra
- The provisions of the Wheat Marketing Amendment Bill 2002 – 6 & 7 March 2003, Canberra; 10 March 2003, Perth; 5 & 29 May 2003, Canberra
- Provisions of the Dairy Industry Service Reform Bill 2003 and the Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment (Dairy) Bill 2003 – 24 March 2003, Canberra
- Civil Aviation Amendment Bill 2003 – 5 & 6 May 2003, Canberra
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – 26, 27, 28, 29 & 30 May 2003, Canberra
- Australian Wool Innovation – Expenditure of Funds under Statutory Funding Agreement – 23 & 26 June 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Transport Safety Investigation Bill 2002 (tabled 5 February 2003)
- 2002-03 additional estimates – Report (tabled 19 March 2003)
- Annual reports (No.1 of 2003) (tabled 20 March 2003)
- Dairy Industry Service Reform Bill 2003 and the Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment (Dairy) Bill 2003 (tabled 27 March 2003)
- Wheat Marketing Amendment Bill 2002 (tabled 18 June 2003)
- 2003-04 Budget estimates – Report (tabled 19 June 2003)
- Civil Aviation Amendment Bill 2003 (tabled 24 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Interim report on proposed importation of fresh apple fruit from New Zealand (tabled 20 March 2003; report tabled 27 June 2002)

Estimates

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

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) (elected Chair - 14.2.02)	13.2.02
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	1.7.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	1.7.02
Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)	13.2.02
Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL)	1.7.02

Substitute members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)*	13.3.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)**	26.9.02
Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)***	18.11.02
Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)****	26.6.03

**replace Senator Ferris from 19 March 2002 till close of business on 22 March 2002*

***replace Senator Heffernan for Forestry Plantations inquiry on 11 October 2002*

****replace Senator Heffernan for the inquiry into forestry plantations on 29.11.02*

*****replace Senator Heffernan for the inquiry into forestry plantations*

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*	18.11.02
Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG)	14.5.02
Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)	19.8.02
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)	13.3.02
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	27.8.02
Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind)	13.2.02
Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON)	14.5.02
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP)	11.3.02

Senator Meg Lees (SA, Ind)	21.10.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NPA)	11.3.02
Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind)	12.3.02
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP)	18.11.02
Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)	11.3.02
Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)	11.3.02

**for matters relating to Transport portfolio*

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP), (elected Deputy Chair - 14.2.02)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	13.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP)	13.2.02-30.6.02

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	11.3.02-30.6.02
Senator Jim McKiernan (WA, ALP)	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)*	13.2.02-18.11.02
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)**	13.2.02-18.11.02

**for animal welfare issues*

***for Fisheries and Transport portfolios*

Current inquiries

As at 1 January 2003

- Plantations for Australia: The 2020 Vision Strategy (referred 27 June 2002)
- Rural water resource usage (referred 21 October 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Plantations for Australia: The 2020 Vision Strategy (referred 27 June 2002)
- Rural water resource usage (referred 21 October 2002)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Plantations for Australia: The 2020 Vision Strategy – 20 & 21 February 2003, Canberra; 5 March 2003, Canberra; 29 April 2003, Hobart

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- The incidence of Ovine Johne's disease in the Australian sheep flock—Second Report (tabled 19 June 2003; report tabled 6 August 2001)

**Parliamentary
Joint Committees**

Australian Crime Commission
(formerly National Crime Authority)

Australian Crime Commission (formerly National Crime Authority)

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

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Statutory	0	0:00	0	0:00	7	4:50	1	1:45	8	6:35

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Statutory	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses			Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)			
Joint Statutory	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	663	1

Parliamentary Joint Committee on the Australian Crime Commission (formerly National Crime Authority)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to *The Australian Crime Commission Act 2002* (effective from 1 January 2003)

Pursuant to *National Crime Authority Act 1984* (appointed on 14 February 2002)

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
The Hon Bruce Baird (Cook, NSW, LP) (elected Chair-21.3.02)	21.3.02
Mr Bob Sercombe (Maribyrnong, Vic, ALP)	21.3.02
(elected Deputy Chair-21.3.02)	
Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)	14.2.02
Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA)	14.2.02
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	21.3.02
Mr Peter Dutton (Dickson, Qld, LP)	21.3.02
The Hon Duncan Kerr, MP (Denison, Tas, ALP)	21.3.02
Mr Cameron Thompson (Blair, Qld, LP)	21.3.02

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP)	14.2.02-21.3.02

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Performance of statutory duties (continuing)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Performance of statutory duties (continuing)
- Recent trends in practices and methods of cybercrime (adopted 6 March 2003)
- Trafficking in Women – Sexual Servitude (adopted 26 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Recent trends in practices and methods of cybercrime (adopted 6 March 2003)
- Trafficking in Women – Sexual Servitude (adopted 26 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Report – Australian Crime Commission Establishment Bill 2002 (presented on 3 February 2003, tabled on 5 February 2003; report tabled 11 November 2002)

Corporations and Financial Services

Corporations & Financial Services

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

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Statutory	12	39:13	0	0:00	10	5:00	0	0:00	22	44:13

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Statutory	13	1	2	0	3	0	0	3

Witnesses				Hansard Pages					
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Submissions	No of Pages	Government Responses
Joint Statutory	1	0	0	123	0	586	113	800	0

*report that did not discharge a reference

Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services

Method of appointment

(formerly the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Securities; name amended 11 March 2002 pursuant to Schedule 1, Part 2 item 5 of the *Financial Services Reform Act 2001*) (re-appointed 14 February 2002))

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) (elected Chair-20.3.02)	14.2.02
Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-18.9.02)	1.7.02
Mr Alan Griffin (Bruce, Vic, ALP) (Deputy Chair-20.3.02-18.9.02)	20.3.02
Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)	14.2.02
Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)	14.2.02
Mr Anthony Byrne (Holt, Vic, ALP)	20.3.02
Mr Steven Ciobo (Moncrieff, Qld, LP)	20.3.02
Mr Greg Hunt (Flinders, Vic, LP)	20.3.02
Mr Stewart McArthur (Corangamite, Vic, LP)	20.3.02

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Barney Cooney (Vic, ALP)	14.2.02-30.6.02

Current inquiries

As at 1 January 2003

- Performance of statutory duties (continuing)
- Inquiry into the level of banking and financial services in rural and regional and remote areas of Australia (adopted 26 June 2002)
- Australia's Insolvency Laws (adopted 14 November 2002)
- Disclosure of Commissions on Risk Products (adopted 14 November 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Performance of statutory duties (continuing)
- Inquiry into the level of banking and financial services in rural and regional and remote areas of Australia (adopted 26 June 2002)
- Australia's Insolvency Laws (adopted 14 November 2002)
- Disclosure of Commissions on Risk Products (adopted 14 November 2002)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Corporations Amendment Regulations (No.1) 2003, No.31 (adopted 14 May 2003)
- Corporations Amendment Regulations (No.3) 2003, No.85 (adopted 14 May 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Inquiry into the level of banking and financial services in rural and regional and remote areas of Australia – 25 February 2003, Sydney; 26 & 27 February 2003, Melbourne;; 13 March 2003, Angaston (SA); 13 March 2003, Jamestown (SA); 22 May 2003, Yarraman (Qld); 23 May 2003, Boonah (Qld)
- Disclosure of Commissions on Risk Products – 5 March 2003, Canberra; 12 March 2003, Adelaide
- Corporations Amendment Regulations (No.1) 2003, No.31 and Corporations Amendment Regulations (No.3) 2003, No.85 – 16 June 2003, Canberra
- Australia's Insolvency Laws - 23 May 2003, Toowoomba (Qld); 26 June 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Review of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (tabled 26 March 2003)
- Corporations Amendment Regulations (No.1) 2003, No.31 (tabled 24 June 2003)
- Regulation 7.1.29 in Corporations Amendment Regulations (No.3) 2003, No.85 (tabled 26 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

**Native Title and the Aboriginal
And Torres Strait Islander
Land Fund**

Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund

	Matters current as at 1 January	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Joint Statutory	1	0	0 +(1*)	1

Number and Hours of Meeting						
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Total Hours
Joint Statutory	11	0	0:00	10	3:34	0
						0:00
						21
						14:19

Meetings By State						
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT
Joint Statutory	10	2	0	0	3	2
						4

Witnesses						
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General
Joint Statutory	0	0	51	0	0	494
						9
						183
						0

*Report tabled that did not discharge a reference

Joint Statutory Committee on Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund
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Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Native Title Act* 1993 (appointed on 14 February 2002)

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) (elected Chair-9.12.02)	2.12.02
Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP) (Chair:21.10.02-9.12.02)	1.7.02
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-21.3.02)	14.2.02
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	14.2.02
Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)	14.2.02
Ms Julia Gillard (Lalor, Vic, ALP)	24.3.03
Mrs Kay Hull (Riverina, NSW, NPA)	3.3.03
Mrs Sussan Ley, MP (Fraser, NSW, LP)	9.12.02
Mr Patrick Secker (Barker, SA, LP)	21.3.02
The Hon Warren Snowdon (Lingiari, NT, ALP)	21.3.02

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)	14.2.02-30.6.02
Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP), (elected Chair-21.3.02)	14.2.02-27.8.02
Ms Sophie Panopoulos (Indi, Vic, LP)	21.3.02-9.12.02
Mr John Cobb (Parkes, NSW, NPA)	21.3.02-3.3.03
The Hon Dr Carmen Lawrence (Fremantle, WA, ALP)	21.3.02-24.3.03

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Statutory reporting role (continuing)

Current inquiry

As at 30 June 2003

- Statutory reporting role (continuing)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- National Native Title Tribunal Annual Report 2001-02 – 4 March 2003, Canberra
- Indigenous Land Corporation Annual Report 2001-02 – 18 March 2003, Canberra
- The effectiveness of the National Native Title Tribunal – 27 & 28 March 2003, Canberra; 14 April 2003, Cairns; 15 April 2003, Brisbane; 16 April 2003, Byron Bay; 10 June 2003, Darwin; 11 June 2003, Broome; 12 June 2003, Perth; 20 June 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Report – Examination of annual reports for 2001-2002 (tabled 25 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Select Committees

Medicare

Medicare

Matters current as at 15 May	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Select	1	0	2

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select	0	0:00	0	0:00	4	2:00	0	0:00	4	2:00

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses			Hansard Pages				No of Submissions	No of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General			
Select	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	88	518	0

Select Committee on Medicare

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 15 May 2003

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) (Chair)	15.5.03
Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) (Deputy Chair)	15.5.03
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)	15.5.03
Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)	15.5.03
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	15.5.03
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	15.5.03
Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA)	15.5.03
Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL)	15.5.03

Substitute members

*Date of
appointment*

Former members

Term of appointment

Current inquiry

As at 15 May 2003

- The access to and affordability of general practice under Medicare, with particular regard to:
 - (a) the impact of the current rate of the Medicare Benefits Schedule and Practice Incentive Payments on practitioner incomes and the viability of bulk-billing practices;
 - (b) the impact of general practitioner shortages on patients' ability to access appropriate care in a timely manner,
 - (c) the likely impact on access, affordability and quality services for individuals, in the short- and longer-term, of the following Government-announced proposals:
 - (i) incentives for free care from general practitioners limited to health care card holders or those beneath an income threshold,
 - (ii) a change to bulk-billing arrangements to allow patient co-payment at point of services co-incidental with direct rebate reimbursement,
 - (iii) a new safety net for concession cardholders only and its interaction with existing safety nets, and
 - (iv) private health insurance for out-of-hospital out-of-pocket medical expenses; and

- (d) alternatives in the Australian context that could improve the Medicare principles of access and affordability, within an economically sustainable system of primary care, in particular:
 - (i) whether the extension of federal funding to allied and dental health services could provide a more cost-effective health care system,
 - (ii) the implications of reallocating expenditure from changes to the private health insurance rebate, and
 - (iii) alternative remuneration models that would satisfy medical practitioners but would not compromise the principle of universality which underlies Medicare.

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- The access to and affordability of general practice under Medicare, with particular regard to:
 - (a) the impact of the current rate of the Medicare Benefits Schedule and Practice Incentive Payments on practitioner incomes and the viability of bulk-billing practices;
 - (b) the impact of general practitioner shortages on patients' ability to access appropriate care in a timely manner,
 - (c) the likely impact on access, affordability and quality services for individuals, in the short- and longer-term, of the following Government-announced proposals:
 - (i) incentives for free care from general practitioners limited to health care card holders or those beneath an income threshold,
 - (ii) a change to bulk-billing arrangements to allow patient co-payment at point of services co-incidental with direct rebate reimbursement,
 - (iii) a new safety net for concession cardholders only and its interaction with existing safety nets, and
 - (iv) private health insurance for out-of-hospital out-of-pocket medical expenses; and
 - (d) alternatives in the Australian context that could improve the Medicare principles of access and affordability, within an economically sustainable system of primary care, in particular:
 - (i) whether the extension of federal funding to allied and dental health services could provide a more cost-effective health care system,
 - (ii) the implications of reallocating expenditure from changes to the private health insurance rebate, and
 - (iii) alternative remuneration models that would satisfy medical practitioners but would not compromise the principle of universality which underlies Medicare.
- The Health Legislation Amendment (Medicare and Private Health Insurance) Bill 2003 (referred on 19 June 2003)

New references

15 May 2003 to 30 June 2003

- The Health Legislation Amendment (Medicare and Private Health Insurance) Bill 2003 (referred on 19 June 2003)

Public hearings

15 May 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Reports tabled

15 May 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Government responses tabled

15 May 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Ministerial Discretion in Migration Matters

Ministerial Discretion in Migration Matters

Matters current as at 19 June	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Select	1	0	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select	0	0:00	0	0:00	1	0:30	0	0:00	1	0:30

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses			Hansard Pages						
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Submissions	No of Pages	Government Responses
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Select										

Select Committee on Ministerial Discretion in Migration Matters

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 19 June 2003

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) (Chair)	23.6.03
Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) (Deputy Chair)	24.6.03
Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)	23.6.03
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	24.6.03
Senator David Johnston (WA, LP)	24.6.03
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)	23.6.03
Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP)	23.6.03

Substitute members

*Date of
appointment*

Former members

Term of appointment

Current inquiry

As at 19 June 2003

- a) the use made by the Minister for Immigration of the discretionary powers available under sections 351 and 417 of the *Migration Act 1958* since the provisions were inserted in the legislation;
- b) the appropriateness of these discretionary ministerial powers within the broader migration application, decision-making, and review and appeal processes;
- c) the operation of these discretionary provisions by ministers, in particular what criteria and other considerations applied where ministers substituted a more favourable decision; and
- d) the appropriateness of the ministerial discretionary powers continuing to exist in their current form, and what conditions or criteria should attach to those powers.

Current inquiry

As at 30 June 2003

- a) the use made by the Minister for Immigration of the discretionary powers available under sections 351 and 417 of the *Migration Act 1958* since the provisions were inserted in the legislation;
- b) the appropriateness of these discretionary ministerial powers within the broader migration application, decision-making, and review and appeal processes;
- c) the operation of these discretionary provisions by ministers, in particular what criteria and other considerations applied where ministers substituted a more favourable decision; and
- d) the appropriateness of the ministerial discretionary powers continuing to exist in their current form, and what conditions or criteria should attach to those powers.

New references

19 June 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Public hearings

19 June 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Reports tabled

19 June 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Government responses tabled

19 June 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Nil

Superannuation

Superannuation

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

Number and Hours of Meeting							
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Total Meetings
Select	6	24:35	0	0:00	8	2:37	0
							14
							27:12

Meetings By State					
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA
Select	9	2	0	1	0

Witnesses				Hansard Pages			
Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	No of Submissions
Select	2	0	5	50	21	324	58
							559
							1

Select Committee on Superannuation

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 14 March 2002

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator John Watson (Tas, ALP) (elected Chair-20.3.02)	14.3.02
Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-20.3.02)	19.3.02
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)	19.3.02
Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)	14.3.02
Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)	20.8.02
Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)	14.3.02
Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP)	10.12.02

Substitute members

*Date of
appointment*

Former members

	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)	14.3.02-20.8.02
Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP)	19.3.02- 10.12.02

Current inquiry

As at 1 January 2003

- Planning for retirement (referred 12 December 2002)

Current inquiries

As at 30 June 2003

- Planning for retirement (referred 12 December 2002)
- The provisions of the draft Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Regulations 2003 and the draft Retirement Savings Accounts Amendment Regulations 2003 (referred 17 June 2003)

New references

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- The provisions of the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Bill 2002 and the Superannuation (Financial Assistance Funding) Levy Amendment Bill 2002 (referred 5 February 2003)
- The provisions of the draft Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Regulations 2003 and the draft Retirement Savings Accounts Amendment Regulations 2003 (referred 17 June 2003)

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- The provisions of the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Bill 2002 and the Superannuation (Financial Assistance Funding) Levy Amendment Bill 2002 – 5 March 2003, Canberra
- Planning for retirement – 5 May 2003, Sydney; 8 May 2003, Melbourne; 9 May 2003, Adelaide; 15 & 16 May 2003, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- The provisions of the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Bill 2002 and the Superannuation (Financial Assistance Funding) Levy Amendment Bill 2002 (tabled 19 March 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Prudential Supervision and Consumer Protection for Superannuation, Banking and Financial Services – Third Report (tabled 20 March 2003; report tabled 24 September 2001)

**Committee-related
activity in the chamber**

Details of Reports tabled in the Senate and other related matters

Legislation Committees:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled 42 reports (plus 2 reports that did not discharge a reference). The details are as follows:

Bills

Legislation Committees tabled 18 reports (plus 2 reports that did not discharge a reference) on the following Bills:

Committee	Bills	Tabled
RRAT	Report - Transport Safety Investigation Bill 2002	5.2.03
ECO	Provisions of the Corporations Amendment (Repayment Of Directors' Bonuses) Bill 2002	19.3.03
LC	Final Report – Powers and Functions of the Australian Law Reform Commission	20.3.03
ECO	Energy Grants (Credits) Scheme Bill 2003 and the Energy Grants (Credits) Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2003	24.3.03
LC	*Interim Report - Customs Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2002	25.3.03
ECO	Corporations Legislation Amendment Bill 2002, the Corporations (Fees) Amendment Bill 2002 and the Corporations (Review Fees) Bill 2002	26.3.03
EWRE	Workplace Relations Amendment (Termination of Employment) Bill 2002	26.3.03
RRAT	Dairy Industry Service Reform Bill 2003 and the Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment (Dairy) Bill 2003	27.3.03
LC	Customs Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2002	13.5.03
EWRE	*Interim report on the Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting the Low Paid) Bill 2003	13.5.03
ECO	Terrorism Insurance Bill 2002	14.5.03
ECO	Provisions of the Designs Bill 2002 and a related bill	16.6.03
LC	Provisions of the Australian Human Rights Commission Legislation Bill 2003	16.6.03
CA	Health Legislation Amendment (Private Health Insurance Reform) Bill 2003	16.6.03
RRAT	Wheat Marketing Amendment Bill 2002	18.6.03
ECO	Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No.4) 2003	19.6.03
ECO	Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No.8) 2002	19.6.03
EWRE	Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting the Low Paid) Bill 2003	19.6.03
FADT	Export Market Development Grants Amendment Bill 2003	24.6.03
RRAT	Civil Aviation Amendment Bill 2003	24.6.03

**Reports that did not discharge a reference*

Estimates reports:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled 16 reports.

Annual Report reports:

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

References Committees:

During the reporting period, Senate References Committees tabled 3 reports. The details are as follows:

Committee	Report	Tabled
EWRE	Report – Small business employment	6.2.03
FADT	Materiel Acquisition and Management in Defence	27.3.03
FPA	Report – A funding matter under the Dairy Regional Assistance Program	26.6.03

Joint Statutory/Select Committees:

During the reporting period, 3 reports (plus 2 reports that did not discharge a reference) was tabled by the Joint Statutory/Select Committees.

Committee	Report	Tabled
SUPER	The provisions of the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Bill 2002 and the Superannuation (Financial Assistance Funding) Levy Amendment Bill 2002	19.3.03
CFS	*Report – Review of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission	26.3.03
CFS	Corporations Amendment Regulations 2003 (No.1), Statutory Rules 2003 No.31	24.6.03
NT	*Report – Examination of annual reports for 2001-2002	25.6.03
CFS	Regulation 7.1.29 in Corporations Amendment Regulations 2003 (No.3) Statutory Rules 2003 No.85	26.6.03

**Reports that did not discharge a reference*

Government Responses to Committee Reports

The following table shows 10 Government responses to Senate Committee Reports:

Government response	Date	Committee
Report – Australian Crime Commission Establishment Bill 2002	5.2.03	ACC
Report – Electromagnetic radiation	6.2.03	ECITA (Ref)
Interim Report on proposed importation of fresh Apple fruit from New Zealand	20.3.03	RRAT (Leg)
Prudential Supervision and Consumer Protection For Superannuation, Banking and Financial Services – Third Report	20.3.03	SUPER
Report into recruitment and retention of ADF personnel	13.5.03	EWRE (Ref)
Inquiry into the Commonwealth's actions in Relation to <i>Ryker (Faulkner) v The Commonwealth and Flint</i>	15.5.03	LC (Ref)
Commonwealth environment powers	15.5.03	ECITA (Ref)
Departmental and agency contracts: Report on the first year of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts	19.6.03	FPA (Ref)
Government's information technology outsourcing initiative: Final report—Rebooting the IT agenda in the Australian Public Service	19.6.03	FPA (Ref)
The incidence of Ovine Johne's disease in the Australian sheep flock—Second Report	19.6.03	RRAT (Ref)

A complete list of Government responses is produced in the Business of the Senate published half yearly by the Senate Table Office.

Dissenting Reports/Minority Reports/Additional Comments/Points of Dissent/Reports/Supplementary Remarks/Statement/Reservations

References:	LP
Additional Comments/ Points of Dissent	2
Reservations	2

Dissenting Reports/Minority Reports/Additional Comments/Points of Dissent/Reports/Supplementary Remarks/Statement/Reservations (Contd...)

Legislation:	ALP	Dem	AG
Additional Comments	7	1	
Dissenting Reports	7	1	1
Minority Reports	6		
Reports	3	2	
Supplementary Remarks		1	
Statement		1	

Joint/Select:	ALP
Reports	2MPs & 2 Senators
Additional Comments	3 Senators

Extension of Time to present Reports

During the reporting period, 42 extensions of time were granted to Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office to present reports. There were 9 extensions of under a week; 5 extensions of under a month and 28 extensions of over a month.

Leave to Meet while the Senate is in session

During the reporting period, Senate Committees were granted to meet while the Senate was in session on 27 occasions.

Change of Membership of Committees

During the reporting period, there were 73 changes to membership to Committees.

Establishment of Committees

The following 2 Select Committees were appointed:

- Medicare - 15 May 2003
- Ministerial Discretion in Migration Matters – 19 June 2003

Other Committees

Regulations and Ordinances

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 23.

Current members

Senator Tchen (Chair), Senators Bartlett, Marshall, Mason, Moore and Santoro.

Former members

Senators Coonan, Brandis, Buckland and Ludwig.

Secretary

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Mr James Warmenhoven	6277 3066	6277 5838

Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises delegated legislation to ensure:

- (a) that it is in accordance with the statute;
- (b) that it does not trespass unduly on personal rights and liberties;
- (c) 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
- (d) that it does not contain matter more appropriate for parliamentary enactment.

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- nil

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	8
Briefings:	0
Total:	8

No. of instruments scrutinised	790
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Notices of Motion to Disallow	3
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Notices withdrawn	2
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Notices pending	1
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Scrutiny of Bills

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24.

Current members

Senator Crossin (Chair from 18 June 2003), Senator McLucas (Chair until 18 June 2003), Senator Mason (Deputy Chair), Senators Barnett, Johnston and Murray

Secretary

	<i>Phone (02)</i>	<i>Fax (02)</i>
Mr David Creed (until 3.6.03)	6277 3050	6277 5838
Mr Richard Pye (from 4.6.03)	6277 3050	6277 5838

Principles of the committee

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

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

Alert Digests tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- No. 1 (5 February 2003)
- No. 2 (5 March 2003)
- No. 3 (19 March 2003)
- No. 4 (26 March 2003)
- No. 5 (14 May 2003)
- No. 6 (18 June 2003)
- No. 7 (25 June 2003)

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- First Report of 2003 (5 February 2003)
- Second Report of 2003 (5 March 2003)
- Third Report of 2003 (26 March 2003)
- Fourth Report of 2003 (14 May 2003)
- Fifth Report of 2003 (18 June 2003)
- Sixth Report of 2003 (25 June 2003)

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	7
Public:	
Total:	7

Appropriations and Staffing

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 19.

Members

The President (Senator the Hon. Paul Calvert) (Chairman), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon. Robert Hill), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator the Hon. John Faulkner), Senators Allison, Bolkus, Boswell, Ferris, Heffernan and Ray

Secretary

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Mr Richard Pye	6277 3015	6277 5784

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)). 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

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 38th report – Estimates for the Department of the Senate 2003-04 (23 June 2003)
- 39th report – Review of aspects of parliamentary administration (23 June 2003)

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	4
Public:	0
Total:	4

House

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 21.

Current members

The President (Senator Calvert) (Chair), the Deputy President (Senator Hogg), Senators Carr, Colbeck, Collins, Lightfoot and Stephens

Secretary

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Ms Andrea Griffiths	(02) 6277 3398	(02) 6277 3199

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	2*
Public:	
In camera:	
Inspections:	
Briefings:	
Other:	
Total:	2

* Sitting jointly with a similar committee of the House of Representatives

Library

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 20.

Current members

The President (Sen the Hon P Calvert), Senators Kirk, Ludwig, Scullion, Tchen, Tierney and Wong.

Secretary

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Mr J W Templeton	6277 7102	6277 2403

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	3
Public:	
In camera:	
Inspections:	
Briefings:	
Other:	
Total:	3

Privileges

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 18.

Current members

Senator Ray (Chair), Senator Knowles (Deputy Chair), Senators Evans, Humphries (appointed 20 March 2003) Johnston, Payne, Reid (resigned 14 February 2003) and Sherry.

Secretary

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Current inquiries

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

111th report — Persons referred to in the Senate — Mr Bob Moses, on behalf of Board and Management of National Stem Cell Centre (referred 12 December 2002)

112th report — Possible unauthorised disclosure of report of Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee (referred 27 June 2002)

113th report — Australian Press Council and Committee of Privileges — Exchange of Correspondence

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	3
Public:	
In camera:	
Inspections:	
Briefings:	
Other:	
Total:	3

Procedure

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 17.

Current members

The Deputy President (Senator J Hogg) (Chair), the President (Senator the Hon P Calvert), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (the Hon R Hill), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (the Hon J Faulkner), Senators Allison, Ian Campbell, Eggleston, Ferguson, Ludwig and Ray

Secretary

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Mr Harry Evans	6277 3350	6277 3199

Current inquiries

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Recommendations in the Procedure Committee's first report of 2002 relating to standing order 74(5) (*referred 28 August 2002*)

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

First report of 2003 (Presented to the President 17 April 2003)
Times of meeting on Tuesday
Senators breastfeeding infants
Deadline for receipt of bills
Presentation of the budget
Committee meetings during adjournment debate
Formal motions

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	1
Public:	
In camera:	
Inspections:	
Briefings:	
Other:	
Total:	1

Publications

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22.

Current members

Senators Colbeck, Chair [appointed 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], Hutchins [appointed 13.2.02], Johnston [appointed 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], Kirk [appointed 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], Marshall [appointed 27.7.02, effective from 1.7.02], Moore, Deputy Chair [appointed 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02] and Scullion [appointed 28.9.02]

Former members

Senators Bishop [appointed 13.2.02, discharged 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], Calvert [appointed 13.2.02, ceased to be a member on election as President of the Senate 19.8.02], Chapman [appointed 13.2.02, discharged 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], Lightfoot, [appointed 13.2.02, discharged 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], McKiernan [appointed 13.2.02, retired 30.6.02] and McLucas [appointed 13.2.02, discharged 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02]

Secretary

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Ms Jan Chapman	6277 3037	6277 3448

Public hearings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

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Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

• 3

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	3
Public:	
In camera:	
Inspections:	
Briefings:	1
Other:	
Total:	4

Selection of Bills

Appointment

Pursuant to Standing Order 24A.

Current members

The Government Whip (Senator Ferris) (Chair), the Opposition Whip (Senator Mackay), the National Party of Australia Whip (Senator McGauran), the Australian Democrats Whip (Senator Allison) and Senators Buckland, Ian Campbell, Eggleston and Ludwig.

Secretary

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Dr Rosemary Laing	6277 3020	6277 3098/6277 3099

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Report No. 1 of 2003
- Report No. 2 of 2003
- Report No. 3 of 2003
- Report No. 4 of 2003
- Report No. 5 of 2003
- Report No. 6 of 2003
- Report No. 7 of 2003

Meetings – All meetings held at Parliament House, Canberra

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	7
Public:	
In camera:	
Inspections:	
Briefings:	
Other:	
Total:	7

Senators' Interests

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22A.

Current members

Senator Denman (Chair), Senator Lightfoot (Deputy Chair), Senators Allison, Forshaw, Humphries (appointed 20 March 2003), McGauran, Reid (resigned 14 February 2003), Webber and Wong

Secretary

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Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

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Register of Senators' Interests

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Register of Senators' Interests incorporating statements of interests and notifications of alteration of interests of senators lodged between 6 December 2002 and 19 June 2003
- Register of Senate Senior Executive Officers' Interests incorporating statements of interests and a notification of alteration of interests of senior executive officers lodged between 25 June 2002 and 19 June 2003

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	2
Public:	
In camera:	
Inspection:	
Briefings:	
Other:	
Total:	2

Electoral Matters (Joint Standing)

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 14 February 2002 and agreed to by the Senate on 14 February 2002.

Current members

Mr Petro Georgiou MP (*Chairman*), Mr Michael Danby MP (*Deputy Chairman*), Senator Bartlett, Senator Brandis, Senator Mason, Senator Murray, Senator Ray, Mr John Forrest MP, Mr Daryl Melham MP, Ms Sophie Panopoulos MP.

Secretary

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Mr. Russell Chafer	6277 4564	6277 4710

Current inquiries

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

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- Inquiry into the 2001 Federal Election and matters related thereto – completed 23 June 2003.

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

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- *The 2001 Federal Election: Report of the Inquiry into the Conduct of the 2001 Federal Election, and Matters Related Thereto*; tabled 23 June 2003.

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

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Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	7
Public:	0
In camera:	0
Inspection:	0
Briefings:	0
Other:	0
Total:	7

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Joint Standing)

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 14 February 2002, and agreed to by the Senate on 14 February 2002.

Current members

Senator A Ferguson (Chairman), Mr L Brereton MP (Deputy Chairman), Senators Bartlett (*to 18/11/02*), Bishop (*to 19/8/02*), Bolkus, Calvert (*to 19/8/02*), Cook, Eggleston, Evans, Harradine, Hutchins (*from 19/8/02*), Johnston (*from 22/8/02*), JAL Macdonald, O'Brien, Payne, Stott Despoja (*from 18/11/02*), and Mrs J Gash MP, Ms Moylan MP, Messrs Baird MP, Baldwin MP, Beazley MP, Bevis MP, Byrne MP (*from 24/9/02*), Edwards MP, LDT Ferguson, MP, Hawker MP, Jull MP, Lindsay MP, Martin MP (*to 16/8/02*), Nairn MP, Price MP, Prosser MP, Scott MP, Snowdon MP, Somlyay MP, Thompson MP

Secretary

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Dr Margot Kerley	6277 4629

Current Inquiries

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Review of Portfolio Annual Reports 2001-02
 - Foreign Affairs, Trade and Human Rights
 - Defence
- Human Rights and Good Governance in the Asia Pacific Region
- Inquiry into Expanding Australia's Trade and Investments Relationships with the countries of Central Europe
- Inquiry into Australia's Relationship with Indonesia
- Inquiry into Australia's Maritime Strategy
- Review of aspects of the 2000-01 Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission Annual Report
- Scrutiny of the World Trade Organisation
- Review of Australia's Relations with the United Nations
- Watching Brief on the War on Terrorism

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- 2003 New Zealand Parliamentary Committee Exchange, 6 to 11 April 2003 (presented 23 June 2003)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Review of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Defence Annual Reports, 2000-01 (27 March)
- Australia's Role in the United Nations Reform (27 March)
- From Phantom to Force: Towards a More Efficient and Effective Army (19 June)

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	47
Public:	23
In camera:	1
Inspections/Briefings:	4
Other (Seminar)	
Total:	75

Sub-committee contact information

Secretary

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Ms Janet Holmes (Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee)	6277 4306
Mr Adam Cunningham (Trade Sub-Committee)	6277 4628
Mr Stephen Boyd (Defence Sub-Committee)	6277 2368
Mr Adam Cunningham (Human Rights Sub-Committee)	6277 4628

Migration (Joint Standing)

Appointment

Pursuant to resolutions of the House of Representatives and the Senate of 14 February 2002.

Current members

Ms Teresa Gambaro, MP (Chair), Mr Bernie Ripoll, MP (Deputy Chair), Senators Andrew Bartlett, Alan Eggleston, Linda Kirk, Tsebin Tchen, and Mrs Julia Irwin MP, Mr Laurie Ferguson MP, Ms Joanna Gash MP, Mr Don Randall MP.

Secretary

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Current inquiry

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Review of skilled migration

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

2003 Review of Migration Regulation 4.21B (29.4.03)

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Nil

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private:	12
Public:	5
In camera:	
Inspections:	3*
Briefings:	3*
Other:	
Total meetings:	17

*undertaken as part of private meetings

National Capital and External Territories (Joint Standing)

Appointment

Pursuant to resolution of the House of Representatives of 14 February 2002 and the Senate of 15 February 2002.

Current members

Senator Ross Lightfoot (Chairman), Senator Trish Crossin (Deputy Chair), the Deputy President (Senator Sue West to 30 June 2002), the Deputy Speaker (Hon Ian Causley, MP), Senator Brian Greig (Discharged on the 18 November 2002), Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (Appointed on the 18 November 2002), Senator Kate Lundy, Senator John Hogg (Appointed on the 19 August 2002), Senator Richard Colbeck (to 27 June 2002), Senator Nigel Scullion (from 27 June 2002), Ms Annette Ellis MP, Mr Michael Johnson MP, Mr Paul Neville MP, Hon Warren Snowdon MP and Mr Cameron Thompson MP.

Secretary

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Ms Margaret Swieringa	6277 4348	6277 2067

Current inquiry

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Inquiry into Norfolk Island Governance
- Inquiry into the role of the NCA
- Inquiry into pay parking in the Parliamentary Zone
- Examination of the Annual Reports of the Department of Transport and Regional Services and the Department of Environment and Heritage, 2001-2002

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- None

Government responses tabled

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

- Inquiry into Draft Amendment 39

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private	13
Public	8
In camera	2
Inspections	4
Briefings	5
Other:	
Total	32

Treaties (Joint Standing)

Appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the House of Representatives and the Senate on 14 February 2002.

Members

Ms J.I. Bishop (*Chair*), Mr Wilkie (*Deputy Chair*), Senator Barnett (*to 18 Nov*), Senator Bartlett (*to 18 Nov-from 12 Dec*), Senator Kirk, Senator Mason, Senator Marshall, Senator Santoro (*from 18 Nov*), Senator Stephens, Senator Stott Despoja (*from 18 Nov-to 5 Dec*), Senator Tchen, Mr Adams, Mr Bartlett, Mr Ciobo, Mr Evans, Mr Hunt, Mr P.E. King, Mr Scott.

Secretary

Ms Gillian Gould

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Current inquiries

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Treaty tabled 3 December 2002

Treaties tabled 4 March 2003

Treaties tabled 14 May 2003

Treaties tabled 17 June 2003

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

The committee met a total of six times on three of these occasions public hearings were also held.

ASIO, ASIS and DSD (Joint Statutory)

Appointment

Pursuant to *Intelligence Services Act 2001*.

Members

Mr Jull (Presiding Member)

Senator Paul Calvert (Discharged on the 18 August 2002); Senator Alan Ferguson (Appointed on the 27 August 2002), Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator Robert Ray; Hon Kim Beazley MP; Mr Stewart McArthur MP; and Hon Leo McLeay MP.

Secretary

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Ms Margaret Swieringa	6277 4348	6277 2067

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

None

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private	5
Public	0
In camera	2
Inspections	0
Briefings	1
Other	
Total	8

Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings

Appointment

Pursuant to *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*.

Current members

The Speaker (The Hon J N Andrew MP), the President (Senator The Hon P Calvert), Senators J Ferris and S Stephens, Mr J Forrest MP, Mrs J Gash MP, Mr P Lindsay MP, Ms J S McFarlane MP and The Hon R Price MP

Secretary

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Ms Claressa Surtees	6277 4888	6277 4204

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Nil

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Nil

Public Accounts and Audit (Joint Statutory)
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Appointment

Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit

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

Committee name

Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit

Pursuant to *Public Accounts and Audit Committee Act 1951*

Membership

Mr Bob Charles MP (Chairman)	Senator Richard Colbeck (until 25 Mar 2003)
Ms Tanya Plibersek MP (Deputy chair)	Senator John Hogg
Mr Steven Ciobo MP	Senator Gary Humphries (from 25 Mar 2003)
Mr John Cobb MP	Senator Kate Lundy (from 19 Nov 2002)
Mr Petro Georgiou MP	Senator Claire Moore (until 19 Nov 2002)
Ms Sharon Grierson MP	Senator Andrew Murray
Mr Alan Griffin MP	Senator Nigel Scullion
Ms Catherine King MP	Senator John Watson
Mr Peter King MP	
The Hon Alex Somlyay MP	

Current inquiries

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Review of Aviation Security in Australia

Inquiry into the Draft Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill

Management and Integrity of Electronic Information in the Commonwealth

Review of Auditor-General's Reports (ongoing)

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Report 393 – Review of Auditor-General's Reports 2001-2002 – Fourth quarter

Report 394 – Review of Australia's Quarantine Function

Government responses received

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Report 388 – Review of the Accrual Budget Documentation

Report 389 – Review of Auditor-General's Reports 2000-2001 – Fourth quarter

Report 393 – Review of Auditor-General's Reports 2001-2002 – Fourth quarter

Meetings/hours

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

The full Committee met 8 times for a subtotal of 8 hours and 16 minutes and its sectional committees met 10 times for a subtotal of 44 hours and 38 minutes. The total meeting time for all meetings was 52 hours and 54 minutes.

Neither the Committee nor its sectional committees met informally during the reporting period.

Public Works (Joint Statutory)

Appointment

Pursuant to *Public Works Act* 1969.

Current members

Ms Moylan MP (Chair), Mr B O'Connor MP, (Deputy Chair), Senator Calvert (Discharged on the 18 August 2002), Senator Colbeck (Appointed on the 18 August), Senator Ferguson, Senator Forshaw, Mr Jenkins MP, Mr Lindsay MP, Mr Lloyd MP, and Ripoll MP.

Secretary

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Ms Margaret Swieringa	6277 4348	6277 4426

Current inquiries

1 July 2002 to 31 December 2002

Name of Inquiry

- Construction of a new chancery building for the Australian High Commission, Colombo, Sri Lanka
- Construction of a new chancery building for the Australian High Commission, New Delhi, India
- Construction of a respecified immigration reception and processing centre on Christmas Island
- New main entrance at the Lucas Heights Science and Technology Centre, Lucas Heights
- Provision of facilities for collocation and re-equipping of the 1st Aviation Regiment at Robertson Barracks, Darwin
- Redevelopment of the Radiopharmaceutical Production Building No 23 at Lucas Heights, NSW
- Redevelopment of the Australian Institute of Sport, Bruce, ACT
- Refurbishment of staff apartments at the Australian Embassy Complex, Paris, France
- Perimeter fence, RAAF Base, Tindal, Northern Territory

Reports presented

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Name of report (presented day/month)

- 66th Annual Report, presented 25 March
- Proposed fit-out of new leased premises for the Bureau of Meteorology, 700 Collins Street, Melbourne, presented 26 March
- Development of off base housing for Defence at Adamstown, Newcastle, presented 14 May
- Proposed fit-out of new leased premises for the Australian Customs Service at Sydney International Terminal, presented 18 June
- Provision of facilities for the ACT Multi-User Depot, HMAS Harman, ACT, presented 25 June

Meetings

1 January 2003 to 30 June 2003

Private	9
Public	6
Inspections	6
Total	22

PART TWO

Consolidated Statistical Overview (Half Year)

1 January 2003 - 30 June 2003

Statistical Overview of Committees Administered by the Senate Committee Office

1 January 2003 – 30 June 2003

	Matters current as at 1 January	Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June
Legislation	8	51 +(1^)	42 +(2*)	17
References	18	14	3	29
Select/Joint	7	9**	3 +(2*)	13
Total	33	74	48	59

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/ Other	Total Meetings	Total Hours	
Legislation	26	75:34	55	546:31	67	13:37	0	0:00	635:42
References	71	239:50	0	0:00	49	16:01	29	45:56	301:47
Select/Joint	29	98:33	0	0:00	40	18:31	1	1:45	118:49
Total	126	413:57	55	546:31	156	48:09	30	47:41	1056:18

Meetings by State							
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	143	2	2	0	0	1	0
References	69	18	17	7	6	5	20
Select/Joint	45	5	4	0	3	2	7
Total	257	25	23	7	11	10	27

Televised Hearings	Witnesses			Hansard pages			No of Submissions	No. of Pages	Government Responses
	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General			
Legislation	76	3172	236	15	631	65	732	3885	1
References	13	0	5	863	22	4540	809	10439	7
Select/Joint	3	0	5	224	21	1404	295	2723	2
Total	92	3172	246	1102	674	6009	1836	17047	10

*Reports that did not discharge a reference; **Select Committee on Medicare appointed on 15 May 2003; Select Committee on Ministerial Discretion in Migration Matters appointed on 19 June 2003; ^one reference transferred from Legislation Committee to References Committee (ECITA)

PART THREE

Consolidated Statistical Overview (Financial Year)

1 July 2002 - 30 June 2003

Statistical Overview of Committees Administered by the Senate Committee Office

1 July 2002 – 30 June 2003

	Matters current as at 1 July 2002	Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2003
Legislation	13	74 +(1^)	70 +(5*)	17
References	15	24	10	29
Select/Joint	9	15**	11 +(4*)	13
Total	37	113	91	59

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/ Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	57	395:33	67	658:15	140	45:06	2	2:35	1101:29
References	136	518:53	0	0:00	112	41:42	44	84:57	645:32
Select/Joint	54	218:38	0	0:00	94	51:28	5	8:00	278:06
Total	247	1133:04	67	658:15	346	138:16	51	95:32	2025:07

Meetings by State									
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD		
Legislation	3	7	2	0	1	0	0		
References	36	29	12	15	11	9	25		
Select/Joint	22	13	0	4	3	2	7		
Total	61	49	14	19	15	11	32		

Televised Hearings	Witnesses			Hansard pages			No of Submissions	No. of Pages	Government Responses
	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General			
Legislation	106	3973	485	98	7542	1447	404	10565	2
References	37	0	65	1654	0	278	8979	18825	15
Select/Joint	9	0	89	425	0	556	2828	5082	6
Total	152	3973	639	2177	7542	2281	12211	34472	23

*Reports that did not discharge a reference; **Select Committee on Medicare appointed on 15 May 2003; Select Committee on Ministerial Discretion in Migration Matters appointed on 19 June 2003; ^ one reference transferred from Legislation Committee to References Committee (ECITA)

PART FOUR

Statistics On

**Additional Estimates 2002-03
(February 2003)**

**Budget Estimates 2003-04
(May/June 2003)**

Statistics on Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003) and Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)
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Community Affairs

	Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003)	Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (12/2 & 13/2)	4 (2/6, 3/6, 4/6 & 5/6)	6
Hours by portfolio:			
- Family and Community Services	8:45	18:05	26:50
- Health and Ageing	12:00	29:25	41:25
Hours of public meetings	20:45	47:30	68:15

Economics

	Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003)	Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)	Total
No. of public meetings	3 (12/2, 13/2 & 14/2)	5 (2/6, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 & 6/6)	8
Hours by portfolio:			
- Industry, Tourism and Resources	5:44	15:04	20:48
- Treasury	21:28	33:33	55:01
Hours of public meetings	27:12	48:37	75:49

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education

	Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003)	Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)	Total
No. of public meetings	3 (12/2, 13/2 & 14/2)	4 (2/6, 3/6, 4/6 & 5/6)	7
Hours by portfolio:			
- Employment and Workplace Relations	11:05	22:47	33:52
- Education, Science and Training	13:35	20:45	34:20
Hours of public meetings	24:40	43:32	68:12

Statistics on Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003) and Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)
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Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts

	Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003)	Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (10/2 & 11/2)	5 (26/5, 27/5, 28/5, 29/5 & 30/5)	7
Hours by portfolio:			
- Communications, Information Technology and the Arts	15:31	35:40	51:11
- Environment and Heritage	5:13	10:30	15:43
Hours of public meetings	20:44	46:10	66:54

Finance and Public Administration

	Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003)	Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (10/2 & 11/2)	4 (26/5, 27/5, 28/5 & 29/5)	6
Hours by portfolio:			
- Finance and Administration	6:07	20:22	26:29
- Parliament	1:45	5:06	6:51
- Prime Minister and Cabinet	12:37	17:25	30:02
Hours of public meetings	20:29	42:53	63:22

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

	Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003)	Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)	Total
No. of public meetings	3 (12/2, 13/2 & 14/2)	4 (2/6, 3/6, 4/6 & 6/6)	7
Hours by portfolio:			
- Defence	7:40	18:25	26:05
- Foreign Affairs and Trade	13:35	20:25	34:00
- Veterans' Affairs	2:30	3:30	6:00
Hours of public meetings	23:45	42:20	66:05

Statistics on Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003) and Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)
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Legal and Constitutional

	Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003)	Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (10/2 & 11/2)	4 (26/5, 27/5, 28/5 & 29/5)	6
Hours by portfolio:			
- Attorney-General's	13:48	21:19	35:07
- Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	11:11	19:46	30:57
Hours of public meetings	24:59	41:05	66:04

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

	Additional Estimates 2002-03 (February 2003)	Budget Estimates 2003-04 (May/June 2003)	Total
No. of public meetings	3 (10/2, 11/2 & 14/2)	5 (26/5, 27/5, 28/5, 29/5 & 30/5)	8
Hours by portfolio:			
- Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	8:40	18:27	27:07
- Transport and Regional Services	17:02	27:41	44:43
Hours of public meetings	25:42	46:08	71:50

The number of days the estimates committees sat

February 2003
May/June 2003

5 days
10 days