

# Senate Daily Summary

## 2003-04 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS Thursday 29 May 2003

#### Related links

For <u>general information</u> about the consideration of the 2003-04 Budget estimates (membership of committees, portfolio allocation, terms of reference, hearing schedules etc)

**Portfolio budget statements and related documents** can be obtained from the Senate Table Office (phone 62773010) and on the Internet at www.budget.gov.au

## **Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee**

**Portfolios allocated:** Communications, Information Technology and the Arts; Environment and Heritage

For current information about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.05am until 10.57pm.

#### The committee:

- □ **completed** the Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Portfolio (National Office for the Information Economy, and outputs 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4 of the department)
- □ will continue the Environment and Heritage Portfolio when it meets on Friday 30 May 2003 in Senate Committee Room 2S3

### Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

**Portfolios allocated:** Finance and Administration; Parliament; Prime Minister and Cabinet

For current information about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.02am until 7.36pm.

#### The committee **completed**:

- □ the Finance and Administration Portfolio (general questions, outcomes 1 to 3 of the department)
- budget estimates consideration

#### **Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee**

**Portfolios allocated:** Attorney-General; Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs For current information about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.03am until 6.22pm.

#### The committee **completed**:

- □ the Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs Portfolio (outcomes 1 to 3 of the department, portfolio agencies, Refugee Review Tribunal, Migration Review Tribunal, Migration Agents Registration Authority)
- □ budget estimates consideration

### Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

**Portfolios allocated:** Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry; Transport and Regional Services For current information about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.05am until 11.00pm.

#### The committee:

- continued the Transport and Regional Services Portfolio (completed the Transport Group)
- □ will continue the Transport and Regional Services Portfolio (Regional Development Group) when it meets on Friday 30 May 2003 in House of Representatives Committee Room 2R1

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#### **Further information**

*Committee Hansards* can be obtained from the Senate Table Office (phone 62773010) and on the Internet (when available)

Committee proceedings can be viewed on the Internet

**Senate Briefs**, prepared by the Senate Procedure Office, provide general information about the estimates process:

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