



# Senate Daily Summary

## 2008-09 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES

Monday, 20 October 2008

### Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee

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**Portfolios allocated:** Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy;  
Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts  
For [current information](#) about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.02am until 11.00pm.

The committee:

- ❑ **called** the department and agencies of the Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy portfolio, including the Australian Communications and Media Authority, the Australian Broadcasting Corporation and the Special Broadcasting Service; and
- ❑ **called** the department and agencies of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts portfolio, including Screen Australia and the Australia Council.

The committee will next meet on Tuesday, 21 October 2008 in Senate Committee Room 2S3, calling the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts portfolio, commencing with the department.

### Finance and Public Administration Committee

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**Portfolios allocated:** Parliament; Prime Minister and Cabinet; Climate Change;  
Finance and Deregulation; Human Services  
For [current information](#) about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.00am until 10.59pm.

The committee **called** the Department of the Senate, the Department of Parliamentary Services, and the department and agencies of the Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio, including the Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General, the Office of the Inspector-General of

Intelligence and Security, the Australian National Audit Office, the Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman, and the Department of Climate Change.

The committee will next meet on Tuesday 21 October 2008 in Senate Committee Room 2S1, calling:

- the department and agencies of the Finance and Deregulation portfolio, commencing with the Australian Electoral Commission; and
- the department and agencies of the Human Services portfolio, commencing with the department.

## **Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee**

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**Portfolios allocated:** Attorney-General; Immigration and Citizenship  
For [current information](#) about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.02am until 11.03pm.

The committee **called** the department and agencies of the Attorney-General's portfolio, including the National Native Title Tribunal, the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, the Australian Law Reform Commission, the Classification Board, the Classification Review Board, the Family Court of Australia, the Federal Court of Australia, the Federal Magistrates Court, the Australian Human Rights Commission, the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity and the Australian Federal Police.

The committee will next meet on Tuesday, 21 October 2008 in the Main Committee Room, calling the Immigration and Citizenship portfolio, commencing with the Migration Agents Registration Authority.

## **Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee**

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**Portfolios allocated:** Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry; Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government  
For [current information](#) about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.00am until 11.00pm.

The committee **called** the department and agencies of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio, including Australian Wool Innovation, Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service, Biosecurity Australia, Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority, Wheat Exports Australia, Grans Research and Development Corporation, Meat and Livestock Australia, Australian Fisheries Management Authority, Land and Water Australia, Bureau of Rural Sciences and the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics.

The committee will next meet on Tuesday, 21 October 2008 in House of Representatives Committee Room 2R1, calling the Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government portfolio, commencing with the department.

### **Related links**

*Portfolio budget statements* and related papers can be obtained from the Senate Table Office (phone 6277 3010) and on the [Internet](#).

[General information](#) about the consideration of the 2008-09 supplementary budget estimates (membership of committees, portfolio allocation, terms of reference etc.) is available on the Senate web page.

[A program](#) for each of the committees is available on the Senate webpage and will be updated as necessary.

*Committee proceedings* can be viewed on the [Internet](#)

*Committee Hansards* can be obtained from the Senate Table Office (phone 6277 3010) and on the [Internet](#) (when available)

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[No. 13](#): Rights and Responsibilities of Witnesses before Senate Committees

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