Senate Daily Summary 2008-09 BUDGET ESTIMATES

Monday, 26 May 2008

Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee

Portfolios allocated: Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy; Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts For <u>current information</u> about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.04am until 10.12pm.

The committee called the department and agencies of the Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy portfolio, including Australia Post, the Australian Broadcasting Corporation, the Special Broadcasting Service and the Australian Communications and Media Authority.

The committee will meet on Tuesday, 27 May 2008 in Senate Committee Room 2S3, again calling the Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy portfolio, commencing with the department.

Finance and Public Administration Committee

Portfolios allocated: Finance and Deregulation; Human Services; Parliament; Prime Minister and Cabinet (including Climate Change) For <u>current information</u> 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 and the Australian Public Service Commission.

The committee will meet on Tuesday, 27 May 2008 in Senate Committee Room 2S1, again calling the Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio, commencing with the department.

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee

Portfolios allocated: Attorney-General; Immigration and Citizenship For <u>current information</u> about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.00am until 11.00pm.

The committee called the department and agencies of the Attorney-General's portfolio, including the Australian Federal Police, the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, AUSTRAC, CrimTrac, the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity, the Australian Crime Commission and the Australian Customs Service.

The committee will meet on Tuesday, 27 May 2008 in the Main Committee Room, again calling the Attorney-General's portfolio, commencing with the department.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee

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 9.06am until 11.01pm.

The committee called the department and agencies of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio, including the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority, Biosecurity Australia, Australian Wool Innovation, the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service and the Export Wheat Commission.

The committee will meet on Tuesday, 27 May 2008 in House of Representatives Committee Room 2R1, again calling the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry 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 <u>Internet</u>.

<u>General information</u> about the consideration of the 2008-09 budget estimates (membership of committees, portfolio allocation, terms of reference etc.) is available on the Senate web page.

<u>A program</u> 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)

The Senate Daily Summary will be published each day after the committees meet. The Summary will give a brief overview on the progress made by each committee and the business each committee expects to consider the next day.

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Further information

Senate Briefs provide general information about the estimates process: No. 4: Senate Committees No. 5: Consideration of Estimates by the Senate Committees No. 13: Rights and Responsibilities of Witnesses before Senate Committees

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