

# Senate Daily Summary

### 2009-10 BUDGET ESTIMATES

Wednesday, 27 May 2009

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

**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 11.01pm.

The committee **called** the department and agencies of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts portfolio, including the National Film and Sound Archive.

The committee will next meet on Thursday, 28 May 2009 in Senate Committee Room 2S3, again calling the department and agencies of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts portfolio, commencing with the department.

### Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

**Portfolios allocated:** Finance and Deregulation; Human Services; Parliament; Prime Minister and Cabinet

For <u>current information</u> about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.00am until 9.35pm.

The committee **called** the department and agencies of the Finance and Deregulation portfolio, including Comsuper, ASC Pty Ltd, Medibank Private and the Future Fund Management Agency.

The committee will next meet on Thursday, 28 May 2009 in Senate Committee Room 2S1, calling the department and agencies of the Finance and Deregulation portfolio and the Department of Human Services, commencing with the Department of Finance and Deregulation.

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

**Portfolios allocated:** Attorney-General; Immigration and Citizenship 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 Attorney-General's portfolio, including the CrimTrac Agency, Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia, the High Court of Australia and the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions; and
- □ the department and agencies of the Immigration and Citizenship portfolio, including the Migration Review Tribunal, the Refugee Review Tribunal and the Migration Agents Registration Authority.

The committee will next meet on Thursday, 28 May 2009 in the Main Committee Room again calling the department and agencies of the Immigration and Citizenship portfolio, commencing with the department.

### Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation 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 9.05am until 10.56pm.

The committee **called** the department and agencies of the Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government portfolio, including Infrastructure Australia, the Australian Rail Track Corporation, the Australian Maritime Safety Authority, and the Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics.

The committee will next meet on Thursday, 28 May 2009 in House of Representatives Committee Room 2R1, again calling the department and agencies of the Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government portfolio, commencing with the department.

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#### 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 2009-10 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)

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### **Further information**

*Senate Briefs*, prepared by the Senate Procedure Office, 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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