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25 May to 4 June 2015

2015-16 Budget estimates

A quick guide to proceedings

Committee proceedings can be viewed on the Internet.
Committee Hansards can be obtained from the Internet (when available).

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 2015-16 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.

For further information on Senate Committees, please contact the office of the Senior Clerk of Committees on 02 6277 3555.

Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Committee Secretary: Ms Christine McDonald
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The Committee will meet from Monday, 25 May to Thursday, 28 May in Committee Room 2S3, calling the following portfolios:

- Communications [portfolio information]
- Environment [portfolio information]

Synopsis of each day’s hearings: [25 May] [26 May] [27 May] [28 May]
Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

Committee Secretary: Ms Lyn Beverley
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The Committee will meet from Monday, 25 May to Thursday, 28 May in Committee Room 2S1, calling the:

➢ Department of the Senate, the Department of the Parliamentary Budget Office, and the Department of Parliamentary Services
➢ Finance portfolio [portfolio information]
➢ Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio [portfolio information]

Pursuant to a resolution of the Senate of 26 August 2008, the Committee will also hold a special hearing on cross portfolio Indigenous matters in Committee Room 2S1 on Friday, 29 May

Synopsis of each day’s hearings: [25 May]  [26 May]  [27 May]  [28 May]  [29 May]

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Committee Secretary: Ms Sophie Dunstone
Phone: +61 2 6277 3594  Email: legcon.sen@aph.gov.au
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The Committee will meet from Monday, 25 May to Thursday, 28 May in the Main Committee Room, calling the following portfolios:

➢ Attorney-General [portfolio information]
➢ Immigration and Border Protection [portfolio information]

Synopsis of each day’s hearings: [25 May]  [26 May]  [27 May]  [28 May]

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Committee Secretary: Mr Tim Watling
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The Committee will meet from Monday, 25 May to Thursday, 28 May in Committee Room 2R1, calling the following portfolios:

➢ Agriculture [portfolio information]
➢ Infrastructure and Regional Development [portfolio information]

Synopsis of each day’s hearings: [25 May]  [26 May]  [27 May]  [28 May]
Community Affairs Legislation Committee

Committee Secretary: Ms Jeanette Radcliffe
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The Committee will meet from Monday, 1 June to Thursday, 4 June in Committee Room 2S1, calling the following portfolios:

➢ Health [portfolio information]
➢ Social Services, including Human Services [portfolio information]

Synopsis of each day’s hearings: [1 June] [2 June] [3 June] [4 June] [5 June]

Economics Legislation Committee

Committee Secretary: Dr Kathleen Dermody
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The Committee will meet from Monday, 1 June to Thursday, 4 June in Committee Room 2R1, calling the following portfolios:

➢ Industry and Science [portfolio information]
➢ Treasury [portfolio information]

Synopsis of each day’s hearings: [1 June] [2 June] [3 June] [4 June]

Education and Employment Legislation Committee

Committee Secretary: Ms Julia Agostino
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The Committee will meet from Monday, 1 June to Thursday, 4 June in Committee Room 2S3, calling the following portfolios:

➢ Education and Training [portfolio information]
➢ Employment [portfolio information]

Synopsis of each day’s hearings: [1 June] [2 June] [3 June] [4 June]
## Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee

Committee Secretary: Mr David Sullivan  
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The Committee will meet from Monday, 1 June to Thursday, 4 June in the Main Committee Room, calling the following portfolios:

- Defence, including Veterans’ Affairs [portfolio information](#)  
- Foreign Affairs and Trade [portfolio information](#)

Synopsis of each day’s hearings: [1 June](#) [2 June](#) [3 June](#) [4 June](#)

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*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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