

# The Senate

## BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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### SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**Public Hearings: Budget Estimates for 2010-11**

**Monday 31 May to Thursday 3 June, 2010**

**Committee Room 2S3  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT**

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#### DRAFT AGENDA

#### MONDAY 31 MAY 2010

<b>Time</b>	<b>Education, Employment &amp; Workplace Relations Portfolio</b>
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<b>9:00am-3:45pm</b>	<b>Outcome 4</b> – <i>Enhanced employability and acquisition of labour market skills and knowledge and participation in society through direct financial support and funding of employment and training services.</i>
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9:00am*	<u>Program 4.1: Employment Services</u>
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- Job Services Australia
- Job Capacity Assessment
- Jobs Fund
- National Green Jobs Corps
- Productive Ageing Package
- Insulation Workers Support

12:00pm*	<u>Program 4.2: Indigenous Employment</u>
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- Indigenous Employment Program
- Indigenous Public Sector Employment

1:30pm	<u>Program 4.3: Disability Employment Services</u>
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- Employment Assistance and Other Services
- Vocational Rehabilitation Services
- Disability Employment Services

2:00pm	<u>Program 4.4: Working Age Payments</u>
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- Compensation and Debt Relief
- Mobility Allowance
- Newstart Allowance
- Parenting Payment (Single)
- Parenting Payment (Partnered)
- Partner Allowance (Benefit)

Partner Allowance (Pension)  
 Pensioner Education Supplement  
 Sickness Allowance  
 Utilities Allowance  
 Widow Allowance  
 Youth Allowance (Other)  
 School Enrolment and Attendance Measure (SEAM)

**3:15pm-11:00pm**      **Outcome 5** – *Safer, fairer and more productive workplaces for employers and employees by promoting and supporting the adoption of fair and flexible workplace arrangements and safer working arrangements.*

3:15pm\*      Program 4.5: Compensation Payments  
*Asbestos related claims Act 2005 – Safety, Rehabilitation & Compensation Act\*\**

4:00pm\*      Program 5.1: Employee Assistance  
 General Employee Entitlements and Redundancy Scheme  
 Unlawful Termination Assistance Scheme  
 Coal Mining Industry (LSL) Funding Act 1992

7:30pm\*      Program 5.2: Workplace Assistance  
 Protected Action Ballots Scheme  
 Small Business Work and Family Grants Program  
 Home Workers Code of Practice Program  
 International Labour Organisation Subscription  
 Fair Work Education and Information Campaign

10:30pm      Program 5.3: Parliamentarians' and Judicial Office Holders' remuneration and Entitlements  
*Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973*

**TUESDAY 1 JUNE 2010**

**Time                      Education, Employment & Workplace Relations Portfolio (cont.)**

9:00am\*              **Cross Portfolio**

**Portfolio Agencies:**

11:30am\*              *Comcare*

1:30pm                      *Safe Work Australia*

2:30pm\*                      *Fair Work Ombudsman*

5:00pm\*                      *Fair Work Australia*

9:00pm\*                      *Australian Building and Construction Commission*

**WEDNESDAY 2 JUNE 2010**

**Time                      Education, Employment & Workplace Relations Portfolio (cont.)**

**9:00am-11:30am**      **Outcome 1** – *Improved access to quality services that support early childhood learning and care for children through a national quality framework, agreed national standards, investment in infrastructure, and support for parents, carers, services and the workforce*

9:00am	<u>Program 1.1: Support for the Child Care System</u> Child Care Services Support Jobs, Education and Training (JET) Child Care Fee Assistance
10:15am*	<u>Program 1.2: Child Care Fee Assistance</u> Child Care Benefit Child Care Rebate
11:00am	<u>Program 1.3: Early Childhood Education</u> Early Childhood Education - Universal Access
<b>11:30am-11:00pm</b>	<b>Outcome 3</b> – <i>A growth in skills, qualifications and productivity through funding to improve teaching quality, learning, and tertiary sector infrastructure, international promotion of Australia’s education and training sectors, and partnerships with industry.</i>
11:30am	<u>Skills Australia</u>
11:55am	<u>Australian Learning and Teaching Council</u>
12:10pm*	<u>Program 3.1: Higher Education Support</u> Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Indigenous Education Advisory Council Higher Education Special Projects Superannuation Payments for Former Commissioners Centre for Finance and International Regulation Commonwealth Grants Scheme Performance Funding Funding to Support low SES participation Equity Programs Indigenous Support Program Diversity and Structural Adjustment Superannuation Program Quality Initiatives Open Learning Initiative National Institutes Commonwealth Scholarships Higher Education Special Projects (Capital Development Pool) Education Investment Fund
4:30pm	<u>Program 3.2: HELP</u> HELP (Higher Education) VET FEE-HELP HECS-HELP FEE-HELP OS-HELP SA-HELP
5:00pm	<u>Program 3.3: Tertiary Student Assistance</u> ABSTUDY – Tertiary and VET AUSTUDY – Tertiary and VET Youth Allowance – Tertiary and VET Fares Allowance
5:30pm*	<u>Program 3.4: Vocational Education and Training</u>
7:30pm	<u>Program 3.5: VET National Support</u> National Centre for Vocational Education Research Australian Apprenticeship Centres Support for New Apprenticeships Australian Apprenticeships Workforce Skills Development Australian Apprenticeships Access Program

	My Training
	VET Teaching and Learning Capital Fund
	Critical Skills Investment Fund
	Smarter Apprenticeships
	Quality Skills Incentives
	National Foundation Skills Strategy
	Education Investment Fund (VET)
	Workplace English Language and Literacy
	Innovative community-based places
	Language, Literacy and Numeracy
10:00pm	<u>Program 3.6: International Education Support</u>
	International Education and Training
	Assessment Subsidy for Overseas Trained Professionals
	Higher Education Contribution to Australian Education International

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## **THURSDAY 3 JUNE 2010**

Time	<b>Education, Employment &amp; Workplace Relations Portfolio</b> (cont.)
<b>9:00am-11:00pm</b>	<b>Outcome 2</b> – <i>Improved learning and literacy, numeracy and educational attainment for school students, through funding for quality teaching and learning environments, workplace learning and career advice.</i>
9:00am	<u>Program 2.1: Government Schools National Support</u>
9:30am	<u>Program 2.2: Non-Government Schools National Support</u> <i>Schools Assistance Act 2008</i> <i>Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Act 2000</i> Recurrent Grants – Non-government Capital Grants – Non-government English as a Second Language – New Arrivals – Non-government Enrolment trends – Non-government
10:00am*	<u>Program 2.3: Schools Support</u> National Asian Languages and Studies in Schools Grants and Awards Framework for Open Learning National Student Aptitude Test for Tertiary Admission Supplementary Funding for School Operations Drought Assistance for Schools National Schools Chaplaincy Program Helping Children with Autism Local Schools Working Together Quality Outcomes Indigenous Education Parliament and Civics Education Rebate Indigenous Youth Mobility Program Indigenous Youth Leadership Program Sporting Chance Academies
12:00pm*	<u>Program 2.8: Smarter Schools - Low SES School Communities National Partnership</u> <u>Program 2.9: Smarter Schools - Improving Teacher Quality National Partnership</u>
1:30pm	<u>Program 2.4: Trade Training Centres</u> Trade Training Centres (Non-government) Australian Technical Colleges
3:00pm*	<u>Program 2.5: Digital Education Revolution</u> The National Secondary School Student Computer Fund
4:30pm	<u>Program 2.6: National Action Plan on Literacy and Numeracy</u> National Action Plan on Literacy and Numeracy – literacy & numeracy pilots National Partnership for Literacy and Numeracy

5:15pm* (for this day only dinner will run from 7:30pm to 8:30pm)	<u>Program 2.7: Education Infrastructure (referred to as Building the Education Revolution)</u>
8:30pm	<u>Program 2.7: Education Infrastructure (referred to as Building the Education Revolution) (Ctd)</u>
9:00pm*	<u>Program 2.10: Youth Support</u> Careers Transitions and Partnerships Youth Attainment and Transitions Youth Engagement <i>National Youth Affairs Research Scheme Special Account</i>
9:45pm	<u>Program 2.11: School Student Assistance</u> ABSTUDY – Secondary Assistance for Isolated Children Youth Allowance – Secondary Superannuation Benefits for Aboriginal Tutor Assistance Scheme
10:00pm	<u>Australian Curriculum Assessment &amp; Reporting Authority (ACARA)</u>
10:30pm	<u>Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership</u>

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\*includes proposed break

\*\*reflecting the old departmental structure, this has been included in the PBS under Outcome 4 but the officials to address it are now from Outcome 5. This change will be reflected in the next PBS.

**Proposed breaks**

Morning tea	10:30am-10:45am
Lunch	12.30pm–1.30pm
Afternoon tea	3.45pm–4.00pm
Dinner	6.00pm–7.30pm
Tea Break	9.30pm–9.45pm

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