

# The Senate

## BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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## SENATE FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

**Public Hearings: BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2013-14**

**Monday, 27 May to Thursday, 30 May 2013**

**Committee Room 2S1  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT**

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### AGENDA

#### MONDAY, 27 MAY 2013

Senator the Hon John  
Hogg, President of  
the Senate  
**9.00am**

### **Parliamentary Departments**

#### **Department of the Senate**

**Outcome 1: Advisory and administrative support services to enable the Senate and Senators to fulfil their representative and legislative duties.**

Program—Department of the Senate

- Clerk's Office
- Table Office
- Procedure Office
- Committee Office
- Black Rod's Office

10.45am (guide only)

### **Parliamentary Budget Office**

**Outcome: To inform the Parliament by providing independent and non-partisan analysis of the budget cycle, fiscal policy and the financial implications of proposals**

Program—Parliamentary Budget Office

11.45am (guide only)

### **Department of Parliamentary Services**

**Outcome: Occupants of Parliament House are supported by integrated services and facilities, Parliament functions effectively and its work and buildings are accessible to the public**

Program 1—Parliamentary Services

Program 2—Parliament House Works Program

## **Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

2.30pm (guide only)

### **Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General**

**Outcome 1: The performance of the Governor-General's role is facilitated through the organisation and management of official duties, management and maintenance of the official household and property and administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system**

Program 1.1—Support for the Governor-General and Official Functions

- Support for the Governor-General
- Administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system

Senator the Hon Stephen Conroy

3.30pm (guide only)

### **Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet**

**Outcome 1: Provide high quality policy advice and support to the Prime Minister, the Cabinet, Portfolio Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries including through the coordination of government activities, policy development and program delivery.**

Program 1.1—Prime Minister & Cabinet

**TUESDAY, 28 MAY 2013**

Senator the Hon  
Stephen Conroy

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio** *(continued)*

**9.00am**

**Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet** *(continued)*

**11.30am (guide only)**

**Australian National Audit Office**

**Outcome 1: To improve public sector performance and accountability through independent reporting on Australian Government administration to Parliament, the Executive and the public.**

Program 1.1—Assurance Audit Services

Program 1.2—Performance Audit Services

**1.30pm (guide only)**

**Australian Public Service Commission**

**Outcome 1: Increased awareness and adoption of best practice public administration by the public service through leadership, promotion, advice and professional development, drawing on research and evaluation**

Program 1.1—Australian Public Service Commission

Program 1.2—Parliamentarians' and Judicial Office Holders Remuneration and Entitlements

**2.30pm (guide only)**

**National Mental Health Commission**

**Outcome 1: Provide expert advice to the Australian Government and cross-sectoral leadership on the policy, programs, services and systems that support mental health in Australia, including through administering the Annual National Report Card on Mental Health and Suicide Prevention, undertaking performance monitoring and reporting, and engaging consumers and carers**

Program 1.1—National Mental Health Commission

**4.00pm (guide only)**

**Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security**

**Outcome 1: Independent assurance for the Prime Minister, senior ministers and Parliament as to whether Australia's intelligence and security agencies act legally and with propriety by inspecting, inquiring into and reporting on their activities**

Program 1.1—Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security

**5.00pm (guide only)**

**Office of National Assessments**

**Outcome 1: Advancement of Australia's national interests through increased government awareness of international developments affecting Australia**

Program 1.1—Assessment and reports

Program 1.2—Coordination and evaluation

**WEDNESDAY, 29 MAY 2013**

Senator the Hon  
Penny Wong

## **Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**9.00am**

### **Future Fund Management Agency**

**Outcome 1: Make provision for the Commonwealth's unfunded superannuation liabilities and payments for the creation and development of infrastructure, by managing the operational activities of the Future Fund and Nation Building Funds, in line with the Government's investment mandates**

Program 1.1—Management of the investment of the Future Fund

Program 1.2—Management of the investment of the Building Australia Fund, Education Investment Fund and Health and Hospitals Fund

**10.45am (guide only)**

### **Department of Finance and Deregulation**

**Outcome 1: Informed decisions on Government finances and regulatory practices through: policy advice; implementing frameworks; and providing financial advice, guidance and assurance**

Program 1.1—Budget, Financial Management, Better Regulation and Procurement Framework

Program 1.2—Public Sector Superannuation

**1.30pm (guide only)**

### **ComSuper<sup>1</sup>**

**Outcome 1: Provide access to Australian Government superannuation benefits and information, through developing members' understanding of the schemes, processing contributions, supporting investment processes, paying benefits and managing member details, for current and former Australian Public Servants and members of the Australian Defence Force, on behalf of the Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation**

Program 1.1—Superannuation Administration Services

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<sup>1</sup> May be taken concurrently with DFD Program 1.2 Public sector superannuation advice

## **Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation<sup>2</sup>**

**Outcome 1: Retirement benefits for past, present, and future Australian Government employees and members of the Australian Defence Force through investment and administration of their superannuation funds and schemes**

Program 1.1—Superannuation Scheme Governance

**2.30pm (guide only) Department of Finance and Deregulation (continued)**

Program 1.1—Budget, Financial Management, Better Regulation and Procurement Framework (*continued, if not completed*)

Program 1.3—National Building Funds and DisabilityCare Australia Fund

- Building Australia Fund
- Education Investment Fund
- Health and Hospitals Fund
- DisabilityCare Australia Fund

## **THURSDAY, 30 MAY 2013**

Senator the Hon  
Penny Wong

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio (continued)**

**9.00am**

**Medibank Private**

**10.00am (guide only)**

**Department of Finance and Deregulation (continued)**

**Outcome 2: Effective Government policy advice, administration and operations through; oversight of Government Business Enterprises: Commonwealth property management and construction; risk management; and providing ICT services**

Program 2.1—Australian Government Business and ICT

Program 2.2—Property and Construction

Program 2.3—Insurance and Risk Management

**Outcome 3: Support for Parliamentarians, others with entitlements and organisations as approved by Government through the delivery of entitlements and targeted assistance**

Program 3.1—Ministerial and Parliamentary Services

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<sup>2</sup> May be taken concurrently with DFD Program 1.2 Public sector superannuation advice

**5.00pm (guide only) Australian Electoral Commission**

**Outcome 1: Maintain an impartial and independent electoral system for eligible voters through active electoral roll management, efficient delivery of polling services and targeted education and public awareness programs.**

Program 1.1—Electoral Roll Management

Program 1.2—Election Management and Support Services

Program 1.3—Education and Communication

<b>Proposed breaks</b>	Morning tea	10.30 to 10.45
	Lunch	12.30 to 13.30
	Afternoon tea	15:45 to 16:00
	Dinner	18.30 to 19.45
	Tea Break	21:15 to 21:30

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