

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

The committee met on Tuesday, 26 May 2015 from 9.01 am until 5.58 pm.

The committee called the Department of Immigration and Border Protection.

Among other issues, the following matters were discussed:

- letters sent from Mr Julian Burnside to refugees in offshore regional processing centres,
- the number of, and conditions for, children in detention, and the impact on children where parents have had an adverse security assessment,
- compensation paid and settlements reached by the Department, as well as the provision of legal services by the Department to applicants,
- the Prime Minister's announcement in relation to new citizenship measures and people engaged in terrorism,
- the Department's management of its visa program, including the administration of working, student and humanitarian visas, and
- oversight of cases of visa fraud and labour hire arrangements.