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## 1 Performance information

This appendix summarises the performance of the Department of the House of Representatives in 2012–13. Comparable performance information for 2011–12, where available, is given in brackets.

Outcome 1: Advisory and administrative services support the House of Representatives to fulfil its representative and legislative role

Program component 1.1: Chamber and Federation Chamber				
<b>Deliverable:</b> Advice and services to enable the House of Representatives Chamber and Federation Chamber to meet and address business as scheduled				
Key performance indicator	Performance			
Member satisfaction with the quality and timeliness of Chamber support and advisory services (target: 99 per cent satisfaction rate)	100 (100) per cent of members surveyed were satisfied with advice and service provision by Clerks-at-the-Table; 95 (85) per cent were 'extremely' or 'highly' satisfied.			
	100 (100) per cent of members surveyed were satisfied with advice and service provision more generally in relation to Chamber and Federation Chamber duties; 90 (80) per cent were 'extremely' or 'highly' satisfied.			
Percentage of Chamber support service standards met for all sittings of the House and meetings of the Federation Chamber, with no significant errors (target: 100 per cent)	Service standards for programming and procedural advice and support, preparation of Chamber documents, processing of questions in writing and answers to questions, and provision and processing of documents of the House were generally met for all sittings of the House and meetings of the Federation Chamber (as in 2011–12).			
Processing and drafting of bills				
Key performance indicator	Performance			
Percentage of bills (proposed legislation) processed within deadlines and with no significant errors (target: 100 per cent)	All deadlines were met and there were no significant errors (as in 2011–12).			
	All members surveyed who had used legislative and drafting services were satisfied with advice and service provision (as in 2011–12).			
Creating and processing record	s and documents of the House			
Key performance indicator	Performance			
Percentage of Chamber support service standards met for all sittings of the House and meetings of the Federation Chamber, with no significant errors (target: 100 per cent)	Service standards for preparation of the <i>Votes and Proceedings</i> and the Live Minutes were met on all occasions (all service standards were met in 2011–12).			
	6,116 (6,533) disallowable instruments and documents were processed.			
	124 (183) petitions with a total of 325,350 (446,619) signatories; 74 (134) ministerial responses to petitions.			

Program component 1.1 (continued)		
Collection, analysis and publication of procedural and statistical information		
Key performance indicator Performance		
Member satisfaction with the quality and availability of procedural and statistical publications and support in obtaining such information (target: 90 per cent satisfaction rate)	100 (95) per cent of members surveyed were satisfied and 90 (89) per cent were 'extremely' or 'highly' satisfied with the quality and availability of procedural and statistical publications and associated support.	
	Internal and external users indicated a high level of satisfaction with procedural and statistical publications.	

# Program component 1.2: Community relations and awareness Deliverable: Services to increase public knowledge and awareness of, and interaction with, the work of the House of Representatives and the Australian Parliament Key performance indicator Number of participants in community awareness programs such as seminars, school visits, subscribers to email alert service and magazine continues to increase over time Performance More than 3,300 (3,200) individuals and organisations subscribed to the email alert service. The About the House Twitter feed had more than 12,400 (7,500) followers. 320 (342) people attended seminars.

# Program component 1.3: Committee services Deliverable: Procedural, research, analytical and administrative support for the conduct of inquiries and other activities of committees Key performance indicator 90 per cent satisfaction rate of committee members with advice and services provided 100 (100) per cent of members surveyed were 'satisfied', 'highly satisfied' or 'extremely satisfied' with the procedural advice, research, analytical, drafting and administrative support services received in relation to the conduct of committee inquiries and the publication of final reports.

More than 14,700 (14,000) individuals and organisations

115,651 student visitors from 3,537 schools (114,794 student

subscribed to the About the House magazine.

visitors from 3,487 schools).

#### Program component 1.4: Inter-parliamentary relations

**Deliverable:** Advice and support to facilitate and maintain international and regional relationships with other parliaments, parliamentary bodies and organisations

Key performance indicator	Performance
Rate of satisfaction of Presiding Officers, delegates and diplomatic representatives with arrangements for incoming and outgoing delegations. Levels of participation in parliamentary organisations and quality of policy advice	Correspondence and anecdotal feedback from delegates and diplomatic missions indicated a high level of satisfaction with visits.
	All submissions on the international program were approved by the Presiding Officers.
	Of eligible senators and members, 52 per cent (57 per cent) were members of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association. Of eligible senators and members, 75 per cent (73 per cent) were members of the Inter-Parliamentary Union.
	Delegations attended the assemblies and conferences of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, Inter-Parliamentary Union, Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum and Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Inter-Parliamentary Assembly. One regional activity was conducted in association with the Inter-Parliamentary Union.
Rate of satisfaction of parliaments in the Pacific region with the training and equipment purchases provided through the Education Trust Fund	Reports on training activities and anecdotal feedback on equipment indicated a high level of satisfaction with the Education Trust Fund's operations. The Pacific Parliamentary Partnerships program provided support to six Pacific parliaments, all of which indicated strong support for the program at meetings and through correspondence.

#### Program component 1.5: Members' services and corporate support

**Deliverable:** Advice and services relating to members' salaries and allowances and certain other entitlements

#### Key performance indicator

#### Performance

All variations to salary and allowances and salary increases are processed with an accuracy of at least 99 per cent

All variations and salary increases were processed with an accuracy rate of at least 99 (99) per cent.

**Deliverable:** Services and advice to the Speaker, members and others in accordance with legislation and administrative decisions

**Deliverable:** Advice and service to members in Parliament House relating to accommodation, computing and communication facilities and office services

#### Key performance indicator

#### Performance

Rate of satisfaction of members and others with the provision of accommodation, computing and communication facilities and office support services (target: 95 per cent)

100 (100) per cent of the accommodation changes, office services and communication facilities provided met agreed timeframes and standards, and met the satisfaction of party whips and individual members. 100 (100) per cent of members surveyed were satisfied with the information on their internet home page.

Number of accommodation-related services provided to members

333 (174) routine maintenance requests were actioned.

The target for emergency requests was 'action within five minutes'; this target was reached for 100 (100) per cent of the 304 (353) emergency requests received.

493 (491) furniture movement requests were processed, all within agreed timeframes (as in 2011–12).

12,480 (12,165) transport requests were processed with 97.6 (98.9) per cent accuracy.

**Deliverable:** Monitoring developments in parliamentary and public administration and applying as appropriate

#### Key performance indicator

#### Performance

Developments in parliamentary and public administration are responded to where appropriate

The department provided a submission to the inquiry by the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit into the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Bill 2013.

The department provided a submission, jointly with the Department of Parliamentary Services and the Parliamentary Budget Office, into the inquiry by the Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee into the Parliamentary Service Amendment Bill 2013.

The department's disclosure log on the Parliament of Australia website was closed following amendment of the Parliamentary Service Act to confirm the intention of the parliament that all parliamentary departments are excluded from the application of the Freedom of Information Act. The website was updated to provide a statement about access to information on the administration of parliament which reflected the legislative changes.

Program component 1.5 (continued)			
Deliverable: Nurturing a flexible, integrated and cohesive department while recognising individual talents and responsibilities			
Key performance indicator	Performance		
Departmental policies and procedures are reviewed and revised, as appropriate	The department's discrimination, bullying and harassment prevention policy and guidelines were reviewed and revised.		
	Revised attendance guidelines were finalised.		
	The department's business continuity plan was reviewed and revised and office-level business resumption plans were reviewed and finalised.		
<b>Deliverable:</b> Seek to obtain the resources needed to meet the requirements of the House, committees and the wider department into the future			
Key performance indicator Performance			
Support is provided to assist the House Standing Committee on Appropriations and Administration in discharging its responsibilities	The Clerk and other departmental staff provided the committee with information on the department's budget position and attended the committee's meetings to enable the committee to discharge its responsibilities and to bring the funding requirements of the department to the attention of government. The department also provided secretariat support to the committee.		
Performance indicators in the Department of Parliamentary Services payroll service level agreement are met and service is delivered within budget	All indicators in the service level agreement were met and service was delivered within budget.		

**Note:** The department has presented consolidated performance information in an appendix to its annual report since 1999–2000. While there has been some variation in the performance information reported, the department has generally achieved its key performance indicator targets for this period.

# 2 Agency resource statement and resources for outcome

#### Agency resource statement 2012-13

	Actual available appropriations for 2012–13 \$'000	Payments made 2012–13 \$'000	Balance remaining 2012–13 \$'000
	(a)	(b)	(a)-(b)
Ordinary annual services			
Departmental appropriation <sup>a</sup>	22,691	22,204	487
s 31 agency receipts	1,986	1,986	-
s 30 agency receipts	1	1	-
Total ordinary annual services	24,678	24,191	487
Special accounts <sup>b</sup>			
Opening balance	2,345		
Appropriation receipts <sup>c</sup>	141		
Other receipts <sup>d</sup>	103		
Payments made		116	
Total special accounts	2,589	116	2,473
Total resourcing and payments for the Department of the House of Representatives	27,267	24,307	

a Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Act (No. 1) 2012–13. Includes an amount of \$1.050 million in 2012–13 for the departmental capital budget. For accounting purposes this amount has been designated as 'contributions by owners'.

 $d\ \ Transfer from Services for Other Entities and Trust Moneys — Department of the House of Representatives Special Account.$ 

Third party drawdowns from and on behalf of other agencies		
	\$'000	
Payments made on behalf of the Department of Finance and Deregulation (disclosed in the respective agency resource statement)	6,764	
Payments made on behalf of the Australian Public Service Commission (disclosed in the respective agency resource statement)	37,017	

b Does not include money held in accounts such as Services for Other Entities and Trust Moneys special accounts.

c Appropriation receipts from departmental appropriation for 2012–13 included above.

#### Expenses and resources for Outcome 1

Outcome 1:Advisory and administrative services support the House of Representatives to fulfil its representative and legislative role	Budget <sup>a</sup> 2012–13 \$'000	Actual expenses 2012–13 \$'000	Variation 2012–13 \$'000
	(a)	(b)	(a)-(b)
Program I: Department of the House of Representatives Departmental expenses			
Ordinary annual services (Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Act No. 1 2012–13)	21,913	20,659	1,254
Revenues from independent sources (section 31)	860	828	32
Other revenues	215	673	(458)
Special accounts	141	117	24
Expenses not requiring appropriation in the budget year	4,264	2,942	1,322
Total for Program I	27,393	25,219	2,174
Total expenses for Outcome I	27,393	25,219	2,174
	2011–12	2012–13	
Average staffing level (number)	156	161	

a Full-year budget, including any subsequent adjustment made to the 2012–13 Budget.

# 3 Business of the House and Federation Chamber

This appendix contains summary information on the business of the House and Federation Chamber in 2012-13.

Events	Spring 2012	Autumn-Winter 2013	Total
Sitting weeks	7	9	16
Sitting days	26	33	59
Hours of sitting <sup>a</sup>			
including suspensions	275	330	605
excluding suspensions	274	328	602
Sittings after midnight	0	0	0
Bills introduced <sup>b</sup>	85	156	241
Private members' bills introduced <sup>c</sup>	П	21	32
Private members' motions moved	40	42	82
Private members' motions agreed to	30	14	44
Committee reports presented <sup>d</sup>	76	121	197
Days on which			
the adjournment motion was debated	19	29	48
matters of public importance were discussed	20	25	45
private members' business occurred	10	9	19
Divisions	79	80	159
Closure of question agreed to	1	3	4
Closure of member agreed to	0	0	0
Bills guillotined	0	0	0

a Hours of sitting are rounded to the nearest hour.

b Includes five Senate bills.

c Includes two private senators' bills.

d Includes advisory reports.

#### Meetings of the Federation Chamber, 2012-13

Events	Spring 2012	Autumn-Winter 2013	Total
Number of meetings	25	30	55
Hours of meeting (excluding suspensions) <sup>a</sup>	98	158	256
Bills referred	21	77	98
Private members' bills debated	2	6	8
Private members' motions debated	31	31	62
Committee and delegation reports referred	16	23	39
Other papers debated	1	1	2
Days on which			
the adjournment motion was debated	8	5	13
grievance debate occurred	5	6	11
private members' business occurred	5	6	11

a Hours of meeting are rounded to the nearest hour.

## Bills and amendments dealt with by the House of Representatives (including the Federation Chamber), 2009-10 to 2012-13

Event	2009–10	2010–11	2011–12	2012–13
Total government bills (including bills brought from the Senate)	221	169	229	209
Introduced in				
the House	216	154	219	206
the Senate	5	15	10	3
Total private members' bills introduced <sup>a</sup>	15	17	27	32
Second reading amendments moved	12	14	17	9
Consideration in detail amendments moved				
government	329	125	427	701
opposition	38	161	149	140
independent/minor party	96	6	135	82
amendments to private members' bills	0	0	21	0
Consideration in detail amendments passed				
government	329	125	427	701
opposition	1	4	8	5
independent/minor party	0	2	9	22
amendments to private members' bills	0	0	13	0

a Includes two private senators' bills.

# 4 Committee activity

The following table summarises the activities of the House of Representatives and joint committees of the Forty-third Parliament in 2012–13.

Committee	Meetings	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013	Reports presented (oral reports)
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs	20	0	3
Agriculture, Resources, Fisheries and Forestry	48	0	7
Appropriations and Administration	5	0	3
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity <sup>a</sup>	9	0	2
Broadcasting Legislation	6	0	1(1)
Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings	4	0	1
Climate Change, Environment and the Arts	19	0	2(3)
Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples <sup>a</sup>	13	0	2
Constitutional Recognition of Local Government	7	0	2
Corporations and Financial Services <sup>a</sup>	45	2	18
Cyber-Safety	12	0	2
DisabilityCare Australia <sup>a</sup>	I	I	0
Economics	37	2	10
Education and Employment	43	I	9
Electoral Matters	14	0	3
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	115	2	9
Gambling Reform <sup>a</sup>	17	0	4
Health and Ageing	40	I	4
Human Rights <sup>a</sup>	27	0	18
Infrastructure and Communications	26	2	1(2)
Intelligence and Security	24	I	4
Law Enforcement <sup>a</sup>	14	I	4
Migration	15	0	1
National Broadband Network	18	0	2
National Capital and External Territories	28	0	5
Petitions	21	0	T
Privileges and Members' Interests	9	1	7
Procedure	18	0	3
Public Accounts and Audit	52	0	9(2)
Publications	12	0	0
Public Works	41	I	7
Regional Australia	21	0	5
Selection	36	0	26
Social Policy and Legal Affairs	39	I	10(4)
Treaties	12	5	8

a Joint committees supported by the Department of the Senate.

Note: The House Committee and Parliamentary Library Committee, which are advisory committees that do not undertake inquiries or present reports, are not included in this table.

# 5 Committee reports and inquiries

The following tables provide details of the activities of House of Representatives and joint committees in 2012-13.

#### Scrutiny committees, Forty-third Parliament, 2012-13

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs, Standing Committee on	Sport—more than just a game: contribution of sport to Indigenous wellbeing and mentoring Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: Not yet assigned	Nil
	Advisory report: Native Title Amendment Bill 2012 Presented: 20 March 2013 PP: 63/2013	
	Our land our languages—language learning in Indigenous communities Presented: 17 September 2012 PP: 221/2012	
Agriculture, Resources, Fisheries and Forestry, Standing Committee on	Inquiry into the Wine Australia annual report 2011–12 Presented: 24 June 2013 PP:174/2013	Nil
	Inquiry into the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research annual report 2011–12 Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 173/2013	
	Report into the National Rural Advisory Council annual report 2011–12 Presented: 3 June 2013 PP: 147/2013	
	Report on the Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation annual report 2011–2012 Presented: 28 May 2013 PP: 139/2013	
	Report on the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry and Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities annual reports 2011–12: Caring for Our Country and Landcare Presented: 15 May 2013 PP: 101/2013	
	Advisory report on the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 Presented: 28 February 2013 PP: 53/2013	

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Agriculture, Resources, Fisheries and Forestry, Standing Committee on (continued)	Netting the benefits—inquiry into the role of science for the future of fisheries and aquaculture Presented: 27 November 2012 PP: 440/2012	Nil
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity, Parliamentary Joint Committee on the <sup>a</sup>	Integrity of overseas Commonwealth law enforcement operations— June 2013 Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: Not yet assigned Examination of the annual report of the Integrity Commissioner 2011–2012 Presented: 18 March 2013 PP: 70/2013	Nil
Broadcasting Legislation, Joint Select Committee on	Three broadcasting reform proposals Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 193/2013 Inquiry into the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Consumer Protection) Bill 2013 Oral statement: 17 June 2013	Nil
Climate Change, Environment and the Arts, Standing Committee on	Managing Australia's biodiversity in a changing climate: the way forward—final report of the inquiry into Australia's biodiversity in a changing climate Presented: 17 June 2013 PP: 158/2013 Inquiry into the Australia Council Bill 2013 and the Australia Council (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 Oral statement: 16 May 2013 Inquiry into the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment Bill 2013 Oral statement: 18 March 2013 Case studies on biodiversity conservation: volume 2—second interim report of the inquiry into Australia's biodiversity in a changing climate Presented: 26 November 2012 PP: 427/2012 Inquiry into the Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Bills 2012 Oral statement: 21 August 2012	Nil

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, Joint Select Committee on <sup>a</sup>	Progress report Presented: 27 June 2013 PP: 218/2013	Nil
	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Recognition Bill 2012 Presented: 30 January 2013 PP: 26/2013	
Constitutional Recognition of Local Government, Joint Select Committee on	Final report on the majority finding of the Expert Panel on Constitutional Recognition of Local Government: the case for financial recognition, the likelihood of success and lessons from the history of constitutional referenda Presented: 7 March 2013 PP: 65/2013	Nil
	Preliminary report on the majority finding of the Expert Panel on Constitutional Recognition of Local Government: the proposal, timing and likely success of a referendum to amend section 96 of the Australian Constitution to effect financial recognition of local government Presented: 24 January 2013 PP: 18/2013	
Corporations and Financial Services, Parliamentary Joint Statutory Committee on <sup>a</sup>	Financial sector reform in China: the role of, and opportunities for, the Australian financial services sector; Report of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services: delegation to China Presented: 28 June 2013 PP: 222/2013	Nil
	Regulatory framework for tax (financial) advice services (previously Tax Laws Amendment (2013 Measures No. 2) Bill 2013, Schedules 3 and 4 Presented: 17 June 2013 PP: 200/2013	
	Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (number 2, 2013) Presented: 16 May 2013 PP: 117/2013	
	Corporations and Financial Sector Legislation Amendment Bill 2013 Presented: 15 May 2013 PP: 115/2013	
	Corporations Amendment (Simple Corporate Bonds and Other Measures) Bill 2013 Presented: 15 May 2013 PP: 114/2013	

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Corporations and Financial Services, Parliamentary Joint Statutory Committee on (continued) <sup>a</sup>	Family businesses in Australia— different and significant: why they shouldn't be overlooked Presented: 20 March 2013 PP: 73/2013	Nil
	Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2013 Measures No. 1) Bill 2013 Presented: 19 March 2013 PP: 69/2013	
	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Reform of Self Managed Superannuation Funds Supervisory Levy Arrangements) Bills 2013 Presented: 19 March 2013 PP: 68/2013	
	Report on the 2011–12 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act Presented: 14 February 2013	
	PP: 41/2013	
	Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (number 1, 2013) Presented: 7 February 2013 PP: 29/2013	
	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Service Providers and Other Governance Measures) Bill 2012 Presented: 5 February 2013 PP: 28/2013	
	Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (number 4, 2012) Presented: 31 October 2012 PP: 406/2012	
	Inquiry into the Tax Laws Amendment (Clean Building Managed Investment Trust) Bill 2012 Presented: 31 October 2012 PP: 263/2012	
	Inquiry into the Personal Liability for Corporate Fault Reform Bill 2012 Presented: 29 October 2012 PP: 262/2012	
	Inquiry into the Corporations Legislation Amendment (Derivative Transactions) Bill 2012 Presented: 11 October 2012 PP: 260/2012	
	Inquiry into the Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Further MySuper and Transparency Measures) Bill 2012 Presented: 9 October 2012 PP: 258/2012	

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Corporations and Financial Services, Parliamentary Joint Statutory Committee on <sup>a</sup>	Inquiry into the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Bill 2012; the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (Consequential and Transitional) Bill 2012; and the Tax Laws Amendment (Special Conditions for Not-for-profit Concessions) Bill 2012 Presented: 10 September 2012 PP: 254/2012 Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (number 3, 2012) Presented: 21 August 2012 PP: 209/2012	Nil
Cyber-Safety, Joint Select Committee on	Issues surrounding cyber-safety for Indigenous Australians Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: Not yet assigned Cybersafety for seniors: a worthwhile journey—second interim report Presented: 16 April 2013 PP: 127/2013	Nil
DisabilityCare Australia, Joint Select Committee on	Nil	Inquiry into and report on the implementation progress with the rollout of DisabilityCare Australia, and related matters
Economics, Standing Committee on	Advisory report on the Tax Laws Amendment (2013 Measures No. 2) Bill 2013 Presented: 3 June 2013 PP: 146/2013 Advisory report on the Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2013 Measures No. 2) Bill 2013 Presented: 14 May 2013 PP: 106/2013 Review of the Reserve Bank annual report 2012 (first report) Presented: 18 March 2013 PP: 58/2013 Advisory report on the Tax Laws Amendment (Countering Tax Avoidance and Multinational Profit Shifting) Bill 2013 PP: 55/2013 Advisory report on the Tax Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No. 6) Bill 2012 Presented: 11 February 2013 PP: 21/2013	Inquiry into the Minerals Resource Rent Tax Amendment (Protecting Revenue) Bill 2013 Inquiry into the Competition and Consumer Amendment (Australian Food Labelling) Bill 2012

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Economics, Standing Committee on (continued)	Report on Australia's oil refinery industry Presented: 5 February 2013 PP: 16/2013	Nil
	Review of the Reserve Bank annual report 2011 (second report) Presented: 1 November 2012 PP: 310/2012	
	Advisory report on the Clean Energy Amendment Bill 2012: Clean Energy Amendment (International Emissions Trading and Other Measures) Bill 2012; Clean Energy (Charges— Excise) Amendment Bill 2012; Clean Energy (Charges—Customs) Amendment Bill 2012; Excise Tariff Amendment (Per-Tonne Carbon Price Equivalent) Bill 2012; Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Import Levy) Amendment (Per-Tonne Carbon Price Equivalent) Bill 2012; Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Manufacture Levy) Amendment (Per-Tonne Carbon Price Equivalent) Bill 2012; Clean Energy (Unit Issue Charge—Auctions) Amendment Bill 2012 Presented:10 October 2012 PP: 264/2012	
	Report on the exposure draft of the Australian Charities and Not-for- profits Commission Bills 2012 Presented: 15 August 2012 PP: 213/2012	
	Advisory report on the Tax Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No. 4) Bill 2012 Presented: 15 August 2012 PP: 212/2012	
Education and Employment, Standing Committee on	Advisory report on the Australian Education (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 Presented: 19 June 2013 PP: 209/2013	Inquiry into the role of the Technical and Further Education system and its operation
	Advisory report on the Early Years Quality Fund Special Account Bill 2013 Presented: 19 June 2013 PP: 208/2013	
	Advisory report on the Fair Work Amendment Bill 2013 Presented: 5 June 2013 PP: 150/2013	
	Advisory report on the Fair Work Amendment (Tackling Job Insecurity) Bill 2012 Presented: 5 June 2013 PP: 151/2013	

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Education and Employment, Standing Committee on (continued)	Advisory report on the Australian Education Bill 2012 Presented: 29 May 2013 PP: 143/2013	
	International education support and collaboration—review of the 2010–2011 annual report of the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Presented: 27 May 2013 PP: 135/2013	
	Advisory report on the Higher Education Support Amendment (Asian Century) Bill 2013 Presented: 27 May 2013 PP: 134/2013	
	Workplace bullying: we just want it to stop Presented: 26 November 2012 PP: 426/2012	
	Advisory report on the Higher Education Support Amendment (Maximum Payment Amounts and Other Measures) Bill 2012 Presented: 10 October 2012 PP: 249/2012	
Electoral Matters, Joint Standing Committee on	Advisory report on the Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Improving Electoral Administration) Bill 2012 Presented: 27 February 2013 PP: 54/2013	Nil
	Review of the AEC analysis of the FWA report on the HSU Presented: 20 September 2012 PP: 248/2012	
	Advisory report on the Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Improving Electoral Procedure) Bill 2012 Presented: 16 August 2012 PP: 206/2012	
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade, Joint Standing Committee on	Review of the Defence annual report 2011–2012 Presented: 27 June 2013 PP: Not yet assigned Care of ADF personnel wounded and injured on operations—inquiry of the Defence Sub-Committee Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 179/2013 Visit to Timor-Leste and Indonesia, 7 to 11 November 2011—report of the delegation Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 176/2013	Inquiry into Australia's relationship with Timor-Leste Inquiry into the African Development Bank Bill 2013

Trading lives: modern day human trafficking—inquiry of the Human Rights Sub-Committee Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 175/2013	
Australia's trade and investment relationship with Japan and the Republic of Korea—inquiry of the Trade Sub-Committee Presented: 3 June 2013 PP: 145/2013	
Advisory report on the International Fund for Agricultural Development Amendment Bill 2012—inquiry of the Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee Presented: 26 November 2012 PP: 437/2012	
Australia's overseas representation— punching below our weight?—inquiry of the Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee Presented: 29 October 2012 PP: 267/2012	
Review of the Defence annual report 2010–2011 Presented: 17 September 2012 PP: 225/2012	
More than just talk—Australia's human rights dialogues with China and Vietnam Presented: 20 August 2012 PP: 197/2012	
Final report: The Poker Machine Harm Reduction (\$1 Bets and Other Measures) Bill 2012, Anti-Money Laundering Amendment (Gaming Machine Venues) Bill 2012, Interactive Gambling Amendment (Virtual Credits) Bill 2013 Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 206/2013 Fifth report: The advertising and promotion of gambling services in sport; Broadcasting Services Amendment (Advertising for Sports Betting) Bill 2013 Presented: 7 June 2013 PP: 198/2013 Fourth report: National Gambling	Nil
Reform Bill 2012 and related bills Presented 23 November 2012 PP: 445/2012 Third report: The prevention and treatment of problem gambling Presented: 12 October 2012	
	Rights Sub-Committee Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 175/2013 Australia's trade and investment relationship with Japan and the Republic of Korea—inquiry of the Trade Sub-Committee Presented: 3 June 2013 PP: 145/2013 Advisory report on the International Fund for Agricultural Development Amendment Bill 2012—inquiry of the Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee Presented: 26 November 2012 PP: 437/2012 Australia's overseas representation—punching below our weight?—inquiry of the Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee Presented: 29 October 2012 PP: 267/2012 Review of the Defence annual report 2010—2011 Presented: 17 September 2012 PP: 225/2012 More than just talk—Australia's human rights dialogues with China and Vietnam Presented: 20 August 2012 PP: 197/2012 Final report: The Poker Machine Harm Reduction (\$1 Bets and Other Measures) Bill 2012, Anti-Money Laundering Amendment (Gaming Machine Venues) Bill 2012, Interactive Gambling Amendment (Virtual Credits) Bill 2013 Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 206/2013 Fifth report: The advertising and promotion of gambling services in sport; Broadcasting Services Amendment (Advertising for Sports Betting) Bill 2013 Presented: 7 June 2013 PP: 198/2013 Fourth report: National Gambling Reform Bill 2012 and related bills Presented 23 November 2012 PP: 445/2012 Third report: The prevention and treatment of problem gambling

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Health and Ageing, Standing Committee on	Thinking ahead: report on the inquiry into dementia—early diagnosis and intervention Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 191/2013	Roundtable on skin cancer in Australia: awareness, early diagnosis and management
	Bridging the dental gap: report on the inquiry into adult dental services Presented: 17 June 2013 PP: 159/2013	
	Diseases have no borders—report on the inquiry into health issues across international borders Presented: 20 March 2013 PP: 64/2013	
	Living with the pain of adhesive arachnoiditis—report on the roundtable into adhesive arachnoiditis Presented: 11 February 2013 PP: 19/2013	
Human Rights, Parliamentary Joint Committee on <sup>a</sup>	Eleventh report of 2013: Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Act 2012 and related legislation Presented: 26 June 2013 PP: 234/2013	Nil
	Tenth report of 2013: Bills introduced 17–20 June 2013; Legislative instruments registered with the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments 18 May –7 June 2013 Presented: 26 June 2013 PP: 233/2013	
	Ninth report of 2013: Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing and Other Measures) Act 2012 and related legislation Presented: 19 June 2013 PP: 232/2013	
	Eighth report of 2013: Bills introduced 27 May – 6 June 2013; Human rights and civil penalties Presented: 19 June 2013 PP: 231/2013	
	Seventh report of 2013: Bills introduced 14–16 May 2013; Legislative instruments registered with the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments 20 April – 17 May 2013 Presented: 5 June 2013 PP: 230/2013	
	Sixth report of 2013: Bills introduced 18–21 March 2013; Legislative instruments registered with the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments 16 February – 19 April 2013 Presented: 15 May 2013 PP: 229/2013	

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Human Rights, Parliamentary Joint Committee on (continued) <sup>a</sup>	Fourth report of 2012: Interim Report— Social Security Legislation Amendment (Fair Incentives to Work) Bill 2012 Presented: 20 September 2012 PP: 475/2012 Third report of 2012: Bills and legislative instruments introduced	
	10–14 September 2012 Presented: 19 September 2012 PP: 474/2012	
	Second report of 2012: Bills introduced 14–23 August 2012; Legislative instruments registered with the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments 22 July – 23 August 2012 Presented: 12 September 2012 PP: 473/2012	
	First report of 2012: Bills introduced 18–29 June 2012 Presented: 22 August 2012 PP: 472/2012	
Infrastructure and	Advisory report on the Broadcasting	Inquiry into IT pricing
Communications, Standing Committee on	Legislation Amendment (Digital Dividend) Bill 2013 Presented: 18 March 2013 PP: 75/2013	Inquiry into smart infrastructure
	Inquiry into Broadcasting Legislation Oral statement: 18 March 2013	
	Inquiry into National Electricity Bill 2012 Oral statement: 11 February 2013	
Intelligence and Security, Parliamentary Joint Committee on	Report of the inquiry into potential reforms of Australia's national security legislation Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 170/2013	Review of administration and expenditure no. 11 (2011–2012)—Australian intelligence agencies
	Review of administration and expenditure no. 10 (2010–2011)— Australian intelligence agencies Presented: 27 May 2013 PP: 126/2013	
	Annual report of committee activities 2011–2012 Presented: 11 February 2013 PP: 17/2013	
	Review of the re-listing of five terrorist organisations Presented: 10 October 2012 PP: 251/2012	
Law Enforcement, Parliamentary Joint Committee on <sup>a</sup>	Examination of the Australian Federal Police annual report 2011–12 Presented: 15 May 2013 PP: 121/2013	Inquiry into the spectrum for public safety mobile broadband

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Law Enforcement, Parliamentary Joint Committee on (continued) <sup>a</sup>	Inquiry into the gathering and use of criminal intelligence Presented: 15 May 2013 PP: 119/2013	
	Examination of the Australian Crime Commission annual report 2011–12 Presented: 15 May 2013 PP: 120/2013	
	Regulatory Powers (Standard Provisions) Bill 2012 Presented: 28 November 2012 PP: 450/2012	
Migration, Joint Standing Committee on	Inquiry into migration and multiculturalism in Australia Presented: 18 March 2013 PP: 59/2013	Nil
National Broadband Network, Joint Committee on the	Review of the rollout of the National Broadband Network—fifth report Presented: 17 June 2013 PP: 160/2013	Nil
	Review of the rollout of the National Broadband Network—fourth report Presented: 28 February 2013 PP: 56/2013	
National Capital and External Territories, Joint Standing Committee on the	Report of the inquiry into the provision of amenity within the Parliamentary Triangle Presented: 28 June 2013 PP: Not yet assigned Report on the visit to the Indian Ocean	Nil
	Territories—21-25 October 2012 Presented: 28 June 2013 PP: Not yet assigned	
	Report on the visit to Norfolk Island—29–30 April 2013 Presented: 5 June 2013 PP: 152/2013	
	An Estate for the future—the allocation of land to diplomatic missions in the ACT Presented: 28 March 2013 PP: 128/2013	
	Report on the visit to Antarctica— 12–13 December 2012 Presented: 18 March 2013 PP: 62/2013	
Public Accounts and Audit, Joint Committee of	Public sector scrutiny review 2013 Oral statement: 27 June 2013 Annual public hearing with the Commissioner of Taxation—2013 Oral statement: 27 June 2013 Report 439: Review of Auditor-General's reports nos. 11 to 31 (2012–13) Presented: 27 June 2013 PP: 192/2013	Nil

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Public Accounts and Audit, Joint Committee of (continued)	Report 438: Advisory report on the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Bill 2013 Presented: 4 June 2013 PP: 149/2013 Report 437: Review of Auditor-General's	
	reports nos. 2 to 10 (2012–13) Presented 29 May 2013 PP: 141/2013	
	Report 436: Review of the 2011–12 Defence Materiel Organisation major projects report Presented: 29 May 2013 PP: 140/2013	
	Report 435: Review of Auditor-General's reports nos. 33 (2011–12) to 1 (2012–13) Presented: 29 November 2012 PP: 458/2012	
	Report 434: Annual public hearing with the Commissioner of Taxation—2012 Presented: 26 November 2012 PP: 429/2012	
	Report 433: Annual report 2011–12 Presented: 26 November 2012 PP: 428/2012	
	Report 432:APS—Fit for service— Australian Public Service annual update Presented: 23 August 2012 PP: 205/2012	
	Report 431: Review of Auditor-General's reports nos. 24 to 32 (2011–12) Presented: 23 August 2012 PP: 204/2012	
Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on	Report 3/2013: Referrals made May 2013 Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 177/2013	
	Report 2/2013: Referrals made February to April 2013 Presented: 15 May 2013 PP: 105/2013	
	Report 1/2013: Referrals made May to November 2012 Presented: 18 March 2013 PP: 61/2013	
	Seventy-sixth annual report Presented: 18 March 2013 PP: 60/2013	
	Report 6/2012: Referrals made May to September 2012 Presented: 26 November 2012 PP: 456/2012	

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Public Works, Parliamentary Standing Committee on (continued)	Report 5/2012: Referrals made May and June 2012 Presented: 17 September 2012 PP: 224/2012 Report 4/2012: Referrals made May 2012 Presented: 20 August 2012 PP: 200/2012	
Regional Australia, Standing Committee on	Unauthorised disclosure of confidential committee document Presented: 16 May 2013 PP: 103/2013  Cancer of the bush or salvation for our cities? Fly-in, fly-out and drive-in, drive-out workforce practices in regional Australia Presented: 13 February 2013 PP: 24/2013  Advisory report: Water Amendment (Water for the Environment Special Account) Bill 2012 Presented: 28 November 2012 PP: 457/2012  Advisory report: Water Amendment (Long-term Average Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment) Bill 2012 Presented: 10 October 2012 PP: 252/2012  Report into certain matters relating to the proposed Murray-Darling Basin plan Presented: 6 July 2012 PP: 198/2012	Nil
Social Policy and Legal Affairs, Standing Committee on	Troubled waters: inquiry into the arrangements surrounding crimes committed at sea Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 190/2013 Intellectual Property Laws Amendment Bill 2013 Presented: 19 June 2013 PP: 223/2013 Advisory report: Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Bill 2012; Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012; Public Interest Disclosure Bill 2013 Presented: 28 May 2013 PP: 138/2013 Sex Discrimination Amendment (Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Intersex Status) Bill 2013 Presented: 27 May 2013 PP: 136/2013	Inquiry into the Wild Rivers (Environmental Management) Bill 2011

Committee	Reports	Inquiries active at 30 June 2013
Social Policy and Legal Affairs, Standing Committee on (continued)	Advisory report: Courts and Tribunals Legislation Amendment (Administration) Bill 2012 Presented: 11 February 2013 PP: 20/2013	
	FASD:The hidden harm—inquiry into the prevention, diagnosis and management of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders	
	Presented: 29 November 2012 PP: 443/2012	
	Inquiry into the Freedom of Information Amendment (Parliamentary Budget Office) Bill 2012 Oral statement: 29 October 2012	
	Inquiry into the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Serious Drugs, Identity Crime and Other Measures) Bill 2012 Oral statement: 29 October 2012	
	Inquiry into the Law Enforcement Integrity Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 Oral statement: 10 October 2012	
	Advisory report: Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Further 2012 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2012 Presented: 10 October 2012 PP: 250/2012	
	Advisory report: Do Not Knock Register Bill 2012 Presented: 17 September 2012 PP: 222/2012	
	Advisory report: Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Bill 2012 Presented: 17 September 2012	
	PP: 223/2012 Advisory report: National Integrity Commissioner Bill 2012 Presented: 10 September 2012 PP: 217/2012	
	Inquiry into the Customs Amendment (Smuggled Tobacco) Bill 2012 Oral statement: 20 August 2012	

a Joint committees supported by the Department of the Senate.

#### Internal committees, Forty-third Parliament, 2012-13

Committee	Purpose	Reports/inquiries
Appropriations and Administration, Standing Committee on	The committee considers estimates of the funding required for the operation of the department and may confer with the Senate Standing Committee on Appropriations and Staffing.	Report 6:Annual report 2012–13 Presented: 27 June 2013 PP: 188/2013
		Report 5: Budget estimates 2013–14 for the Department of the House of Representatives Presented: 16 May 2013 PP: 102/2013
		Report 4:Annual report 2011–12 Presented: 20 September 2012 PP: 229/2012
Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings, Joint Committee on the	The committee meets when required to consider the general principles applying to radio broadcasting of proceedings of parliament; the committee has more limited jurisdiction in relation to televising of proceedings.	Broadcasting of parliamentary proceedings: general principles and standing determinations Presented: 25 June 2013 PP: 183/2013
House Committee	The committee usually meets with the equivalent Senate committee as the Joint House Committee, serviced by the Department of Parliamentary Services.	The committee is advisory in nature and does not undertake inquiries or present reports.
Parliamentary Library, Joint Standing Committee on the	The committee usually meets with the equivalent Senate committee as the Joint Library Committee, serviced by the Department of Parliamentary Services.	The committee is advisory in nature and does not undertake inquiries or present reports.
Petitions, Standing Committee on	The committee receives and processes petitions, and inquires into and reports to the House on any matter relating to petitions and the petitions system. Information on how to go about petitioning the House of Representatives is available at the petitions page on the Parliament of Australia website.	The work of the Petitions Committee: 2010–2013—An established part of the democratic process Presented: 24 June 2013 PP:194/2013
Privileges and Members' Interests, Standing Committee of	The committee is appointed at the commencement of each parliament to inquire into and report on complaints of breach of privilege referred to it by the	Report concerning an application from Mr Brian McCarty for the publication of a response to a reference made in the House of Representatives Presented: 27 June 2013
	House, oversight arrangements for the maintenance of the Register of Members' Interests and consider any specific complaints about the registering of interests.	Report concerning an application from Mr Matthew Joyce for the publication of a response to a reference made in the House of Representatives Presented: 16 May 2013
		Report concerning an application from Mr Michael Smith for the publication of a response to a reference made in the House of Representatives Presented: 14 March 2013

Committee	Purpose	Reports/inquiries
Privileges and Members' Interests, Standing Committee of (continued)		Report concerning an application from Mr Ian Munro for the publication of a response to a reference made in the House of Representatives Presented: 14 February 2013
		Report concerning an application from Mr Brian McCarty for the publication of a response to a reference made in the House of Representatives Presented: 14 February 2013
		Report concerning the registration and declaration of members' interests during 2012 Presented: 14 February 2013 PP: 25/2013
		Report concerning the possible unauthorised disclosure of the internal proceedings of the committee Presented: 20 August 2012 PP: 201/2012
		Current inquiry: Inquiry into whether in the course of his statement of 21 May 2012, the Honourable Member for Dobell deliberately misled the House
Procedure, Standing Committee on	The committee's role is to inquire into and report on the practices and procedures of the House.	Electronic voting in the House of Representatives Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 172/2013
		Maintenance of the standing and sessional orders Presented: 24 June 2013 PP: 171/2013
		Monitoring and review of procedural changes implemented in the 43rd Parliament: 4th Report Presented: 26 November 2012 PP: 438/2012
Publications, Parliamentary Joint Committee on	The committee presents reports making recommendations relating to the inclusion in the Parliamentary Papers Series of papers presented to parliament.	Nil
Selection Committee	The committee has been established to determine the program of business for committee and delegation business and private members' business for each sitting Monday, to recommend items of private members' business to be voted on, and to select bills for referral to committees.	The committee released 26 reports

# 6 Official incoming parliamentary delegations

This appendix contains summary information on the official incoming parliamentary delegations in 2012–13.

Date	Delegation	Country represented
11–18 August 2012	Parliamentary delegation from Ireland	Ireland
13–17 August 2012	Parliamentary delegation from Laos	Laos
19–22 August 2012	Parliamentary delegation from the United Kingdom	United Kingdom
19–26 August 2012	Visit by the Hon Dr Patrick Herminie, Speaker of the National Assembly of Seychelles	Seychelles
17–23 September 2012	Parliamentary delegation from Myanmar	Myanmar
6-13 October 2012	Parliamentary delegation from Myanmar	Myanmar
28 October 2012 – 2 November 2012	Parliamentary delegation from New Zealand	New Zealand
29 October 2012 – 3 November 2012	Parliamentary delegation from China	China
29 October 2012 – 3 November 2012	Parliamentary delegation from Morocco	Morocco
23 November 2012 – 3 December 2012	Visit by Lord Fakafunua, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Tonga	Tonga
II-I6 February 2013	Parliamentary delegation from the European Parliament	European Parliament
13–20 March 2013	Visit by an ASEAN parliamentary delegation	Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam
4–8 June 2013	Parliamentary delegation from China	China

# 7 Other incoming parliamentary visits

This appendix contains summary information on other incoming parliamentary visits in 2012–13.

Date	Delegation	Country represented
12 September 2012	Committee on Taxation of the Parliament of Sweden	Sweden
28–29 November 2012	Delegation from the National Assembly of Vietnam	Vietnam
7 February 2013	Mr Peter Jeppsson MP, member of the Parliamentary Committee on Defence of the Parliament of Sweden	Sweden
II-I5 February 2013	Delegation from the National Assembly of Afghanistan	Afghanistan
14 February 2013	Parliamentary delegation from India	India
18–19 April 2013	Members of the Parliamentary Service Commission of Tanzania	Tanzania
14–15 May 2013	Delegation from the National Assembly of Vietnam	Vietnam
22 May 2013	Delegation from the Committee of Budget, Taxation and Finance, Indonesian Regional Council	Indonesia
3–4 June 2013	The Hon Theo Zurenuoc MP, Speaker of the Parliament of Papua New Guinea	Papua New Guinea
4 June 2013	Parliamentary delegation from India	India

# 8 Outgoing parliamentary delegations

This appendix contains summary information on the outgoing parliamentary delegations in 2012–13.

Date	Event	Delegation members
12–27 July 2012	President of the Senate, Senator the Hon John Hogg visit to Canada and the United States of America	Senator the Hon John Hogg President of the Senate
14–23 July 2012	Parliamentary delegation to China by members of the Senate Standing Committees on Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	Senator Gavin Marshall Delegation Leader Senator Chris Back Deputy Leader Senator Catryna Bilyk Senator Bridget McKenzie
15–27 July 2012	Parliamentary delegation to Japan and the Republic of Korea by members of the Trade Sub-Committee of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	Ms Janelle Saffin MP Delegation Leader The Hon Bruce Scott MP Deputy Leader The Hon Dick Adams MP Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens The Hon Dr Sharman Stone
25 August 2012 – 7 September 2012	Parliamentary delegation to Canada and Mongolia by members of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Regional Australia	MrTony Windsor MP Delegation Leader Mr Barry Haase MP Ms Kirsten Livermore MP Mr Michael McCormack MP
25 August 2012 – 7 September 2012	Parliamentary delegation to ASEAN countries (the Philippines, Laos and Myanmar)	Senator Claire Moore Delegation Leader Senator Alan Eggleston Mr John Forrest MP The Hon Dr Sharman Stone MP
25 August 2012 – 7 September 2012	Parliamentary delegation to China and Indonesia	The Hon Alan Griffin MP Delegation Leader Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck Deputy Leader Mr Rowan Ramsey MP Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens
28 August 2012 – 4 September 2012	Parliamentary delegation to Pakistan	Senator the Hon John Hogg President of the Senate and Delegation Leader Senator the Hon David Johnston Deputy Leader Mr Nick Champion MP Senator Sean Edward Ms Jill Hall MP Mr Graham Perrett MP
6–15 September 2012	Parliamentary delegation to attend the 58th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference, Colombo, Sri Lanka	Senator Helen Polley Delegation Leader Senator Stephen Parry Deputy Leader

Date	Event	Delegation members
16–23 September 2012	Parliamentary delegation to attend the 33rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly, Lombok, Indonesia	Senator the Hon Lisa Singh Delegation Leader Mr Luke Simpkins MP
16 September 2012 – 16 December 2012	Parliamentary delegation to attend the United Nations General Assembly, New York	Mr Laurie Ferguson MP Mr Barry Haase MP
24–28 September 2012	Parliamentary delegation to New Zealand by members of the Joint Committee on the National Broadband Network	Mr Rob Oakeshott MP Delegation Leader Mr Rob Mitchell MP Deputy Leader Senator the Hon Doug Cameron Mr Paul Fletcher MP Senator Alex Gallacher Mr Luke Hartsuyker MP The Hon Sussan Ley MP Mr Mike Symon MP
13–28 October 2012	Parliamentary delegation to attend the 127th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, Quebec City, Canada and visit to Argentina	The Hon Dick Adams MP Delegation Leader Mr Patrick Secker MP Deputy Leader Senator Sue Boyce The Hon Joel Fitzgibbon MP Mr Harry Jenkins MP The Hon John Murphy MP
3–17 November 2012	Parliamentary delegation to the United Kingdom and Poland	Senator the Hon John Hogg President of the Senate and Delegation Leader Mr Alby Schultz MP Deputy Leader Senator David Bushby Mr Michael Danby MP Ms Sharon Grierson The Hon John Murphy MP
4–11 November 2012	Commonwealth parliamentary visit to the United Kingdom	Ms Michelle Rowland MP
6–16 November 2012	Parliamentary delegation to Algeria and Morocco	Senator Gavin Marshall Delegation Leader The Hon Sharman Stone MP Deputy Leader Mr Darren Cheeseman MP Mr Mark Coulton MP Ms Amanda Rishworth MP
20–25 November 2012	Parliamentary delegation to attend the Parliamentary Event of Interfaith Dialogue, Nusa Dua, Indonesia	Senator David Fawcett The Hon Alan Griffin MP
27–30 January 2013	Parliamentary delegation to attend the 21st Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum, Vladivostok, Russia	The Hon John Murphy MP  Delegation Leader The Hon Bruce Scott MP  Deputy Leader The Hon Warren Entsch MP Ms Laura Smyth MP

Date	Event	Delegation members
29 January 2013 – 2 February 2013	Parliamentary delegation to the Philippines by members of the Joint Committee on the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	The Hon Melissa Parke MP Delegation Leader Senator Michaelia Cash Deputy Leader Mr Chris Hayes MP Mr Russell Matheson MP Senator Stephen Parry
21 March 2013 – 7 April 2013	Parliamentary delegation to attend the 128th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, Quito, Ecuador and visit to Paraguay	Ms Anna Burke MP Speaker of the House of Representatives and Delegation Leader The Hon Dick Adams MP Senator Anne Ruston Mr Patrick Secker MP Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens
7–18 April 2013	Parliamentary delegation to ASEAN countries (Indonesia, Singapore and Vietnam)	Senator Alex Gallacher Delegation Leader Mr Harry Jenkins MP Mr Paul Neville MP Dr Mal Washer MP
8–13 April 2013	Parliamentary delegation to Papua New Guinea	Ms Sharon Grierson MP Delegation Leader Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald Deputy Leader Mrs Jane Prentice MP Mr Mike Symon MP
13–21 April 2013	Parliamentary delegation to South Africa and Zambia	Senator Claire Moore Delegation Leader Senator Helen Polley Mr Patrick Secker MP
22 April 2013 – 2 May 2013	President of the Senate, Senator the Hon John Hogg visit to Thailand and Myanmar	Senator the Hon John Hogg President of the Senate
28 April 2013 – 2 May 2013	Parliamentary delegation to Afghanistan	Mr Harry Jenkins MP Delegation Leader Ms Nola Marino MP Deputy Leader The Hon Ed Husic MP Mr Rob Oakeshott MP
5–11 May 2013	Parliamentary delegation to China by members of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services	The Hon Alan Griffin MP Delegation Leader Senator Sue Boyce Deputy Leader Ms Laura Smyth MP Senator Anne Urquhart
20–24 May 2013	Speaker of the House Representatives, Ms Anna Burke MP visit to Singapore and Vietnam	Ms Anna Burke MP Speaker of the House of Representatives
28 May 2013 — 9 June 2013	President of the Senate, Senator the Hon John Hogg visit to Argentina and Brazil	Senator the Hon John Hogg President of the Senate

# 9 Parliamentary staff and other visits

This appendix contains summary information on parliamentary staff and other visits in 2012–13.

Date	Visit	Country represented
14 August 2012	Australian Political Exchange Council's 3rd delegation from the Republic of Korea	Korea
9–10 October 2012	Australian Political Exchange Council's 9th delegation from New Zealand	New Zealand
22 October 2012 – 2 November 2012	Training attachment by community outreach and committee staff from the Samoan Legislative Assembly	Samoa
12–15 March 2013	Centre for Democratic Institutions, Pacific Parliamentary Leadership Dialogue	Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu
12–24 May 2013	Training attachment by an information technology officer from the Tongan Legislative Assembly	Tonga
19–31 May 2013	Training attachment by community outreach and human resource directors from the Samoan Legislative Assembly	Samoa
26 May 2013 – 1 June 2013	Pacific Parliaments climate change study visit	Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Samoa and Tonga
30 May 2013	Centre for Democratic Institutions, Pacific Parliamentary Leadership Program	Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu
26 June 2013	Australian Political Exchange Council's 17th delegation from Vietnam	Vietnam

# 10 Publications

This appendix contains summary information on Department of the House of Representatives publications in 2012–13.

Туре	Title
House of Representatives	www.aph.gov.au/house
pages on Parliament of Australia website	The site includes members' home pages and home pages for House of Representatives committees and for joint committees administered by the Department of the House of Representatives
	Most of the publications listed below are available on the site
Publications directly related to the work of the House and its committees	About the House  Magazine containing news of the House and its members; three issues were produced during the year
	Committee Office brochures  Appearing at a public hearing: notes to help those appearing as a witness at a parliamentary committee hearing, April 2011  Committee support standards, April 2011  Dealing with parliamentary committees, February 2012
	Making a submission: notes to help those intending to make a submission to a parliamentary committee inquiry, April 2011
	Public hearings schedule, revised weekly
	A House for the nation History project including CD-ROM, documentary and study guide on 100 years of Australia's House of Representatives (1901–2001)
	House of Representatives facts and figures: Forty-third Parliament A document produced primarily for use by Parliament House visitors' guides, November 2010
	House of Representatives guide to procedures, fourth edition A concise introduction to the procedures of the House of Representatives, October 2010
	House of Representatives infosheets    Questions, January 2013   A typical sitting day, January 2013   The Speaker, January 2013   Committees, January 2013   Parliamentary privilege, January 2013   Opportunities for private members, January 2013   Making laws, January 2013   Elections for the House of Representatives, January 2013   A new parliament, January 2013   The Budget and financial legislation, January 2013   Petitions, January 2013   Finding out about the House, January 2013   Making decisions—debate and division, January 2013   Making decisions—debate and division, January 2013   The work of a member of parliament, January 2013   The Federation Chamber, January 2013

#### Type Title

#### House of Representatives infosheets (continued)

- 17 Citizens' right of reply, January 2013
- 18 Double dissolution, January 2013
- 19 The House, government and opposition, January 2013
- 20 The Australian system of government, January 2013
- 21 The Clerk and other officials, January 2013

#### House of Representatives practice, sixth edition

The official authority for issues of practice and procedure, 2012

#### Images of the House

A pictorial record of the people and events that shaped the House from 1901 to 2001, June 2002

#### Members' guides

- Members' guide to presenting a petition, January 2013
- Members' guide to private members' bills and amendments, October 2010
- Members' guide to raising a matter in the House, October 2010
- Members' notes on parliamentary privilege, October 2010

#### Members' handbook

A guide to services and facilities for members of the House of Representatives, 2010

#### Procedural digest

A record of procedural events in the House of Representatives, published each sitting week or fortnight

#### Procedural publications and research papers

Available online at www.aph.gov.au/About\_Parliament/House\_of\_ Representatives/Research\_and\_Education/Procedural\_publications

- Committee work in a hung parliament—a House of Representatives perspective, B Wright, July 2013
- Hung parliaments—are they good for parliament? B Wright, June 2013
- The law making powers of the Houses—three aspects of the financial initiative, Clerk's Office, May 2013
- Privilege cases concerning members of parliament, D Elder, January 2013

#### The Speaker of the House of Representatives, second edition

An illustrated history of the office, role and duties of the Speaker, April 2008

#### Standing and Sessional Orders of the House of Representatives

The permanent rules of procedure, as at 20 October 2010 Amendments to the Standing and Sessional Orders issued in February 2012 and October 2012

#### Statistical Digest

A statistical record of the work of the House of Representatives, published each sitting week or fortnight

#### Work of the Session

A periodic summary of the business of the House and its committees, published twice a year: Autumn and Winter 2012 and Spring 2012

#### Working with parliamentary committees, October 2010

- A guide for committee chairs
- A guide for members
- A guide for members' staff

Туре	Title
Publications of an administrative nature	Department of the House of Representatives annual report 2011–12  The annual report on the operations of the department, presented to the House pursuant to the Parliamentary Service Act 1999
	Department of the House of Representatives Corporate Plan 2010–13
	Department of the House of Representatives Enterprise Agreement 2012–15
	Department of the House of Representatives Portfolio Budget Statements 2013–14
	Department of the House of Representatives Service Charter: Community Service Standards, April 2013

## 11 Staffing statistics

This appendix contains summary information on the Department of the House of Representatives staffing in 2012–13.

#### LOCATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF STAFF

Included in the figures in the following table are those representing the sessional staff and parliamentary assistants employed by the department and working on 30 June 2013. These staff are employed in order to accommodate variations in working patterns during the sittings of the House and are generally not employed when the House is not sitting. Figures corresponding to other nonongoing staff are also included in the table.

#### Staff by location, as at June 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013

Location	2010	2011	2012	2013
Executive	5	5	5	5
Executive support/project staff	5	6	6	5
Table Office	12	13	4ª	4ª
Chamber Research Office	8	9	9	9
International and Community Relations Office	-	Πp	12	13
Parliamentary Relations Office	7	-	-	-
Liaison and Projects Office	5	-	-	_
Committee Office	64	63	65	64
Serjeant-at-Arms' Office	22°	18 <sup>d</sup>	32 <sup>e</sup>	30 <sup>f</sup>
Finance Office	6	6	5	6
Information Systems and Publishing Office	4 <sup>g</sup>	15 <sup>g</sup>	4ª	15ª
People Strategies Office	10	12	12	11
Totals	158	158	174	172

a Includes one sessional staff member.

b Parliamentary Relations Office and Liaison and Projects Office were amalgamated.

c Includes 13 sessional staff.

d Includes 10 sessional staff.

e Includes 21 sessional staff.

f Includes 20 sessional staff.

g Includes two sessional staff.

#### Non-ongoing staff (excluding sessional staff), by location, as at 30 June 2013

Location	Staff
Executive	-
Executive support/project staff	_
Table Office	_
Chamber Research Office	1
International and Community Relations Office	1
Committee Office	3
Serjeant-at-Arms' Office	2
Finance Office	2
Information Systems and Publishing Office	4
People Strategies Office	1
Total	14

#### **SEPARATIONS**

The reasons for staff separating from the department, with comparative figures for 2010–11 and 2011–12, are detailed below.

#### Separations, 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13

Reason for separation	2010–11	2011–12	2012–13
Transfer/promotion to another Commonwealth agency	5	7	5
Resignation	3	5	6
Medical incapacity	1	-	-
Retirement	I	3	2
Cessation of non-ongoing employment	13	18	16
Voluntary retrenchment	3	-	-
Death	I	I	-
Totals	27	34	29

#### Staff by classification and equal employment opportunity group, as at 30 June 2013

	Executive <sup>a</sup>	Parliamentary Service Levels 4–6	Parliamentary Service Levels 1–3	Totals
Female	31	46	20	97
Male	32	26	17	75
Subtotals	63	72	37	172
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Non-English-speaking background	l (1.6%)	4 (5.6%)	3 (8.1%)	8 (4.7%)
People with disability	l (1.6%)	2 (2.8%)	I (2.7%)	4 (2.3%)

a The Executive classification group consists of Senior Executive Service Bands  $\,$  I-2 and Executive Bands  $\,$  I-2 staff.

### 12 Members' survey 2013

The department conducted its annual members' survey in June 2013 to identify levels of satisfaction with services provided by the department. The survey was identical to last year's survey. The information gathered is required for internal and external reporting purposes and as a benchmark for service provision.

Thirty members were selected randomly for survey and interview. Members were assured of confidentiality in the survey. A total of 19 respondents completed the survey (63 per cent).

All participants in the survey were asked if they were satisfied overall with the services they received from the department. Members were unanimously satisfied with the department's support in helping them fulfil their parliamentary duties. The responses to the other questions asked in the survey and during interviews are contained in the table below (which also shows the responses from the 2012 survey, in brackets). The result is an overwhelming endorsement of the quality of service provided by the department, with a 99 per cent satisfaction rate overall. The satisfaction rate last year was 96 per cent.

The participants in the survey were also asked about their satisfaction level with the legislative drafting support they receive. Fourteen respondents stated they were satisfied with the service, compared with 12 last year. The remainder stated they had not used the service. In relation to suggestions for change,

In relation to suggestions for change, some technological advancements were recommended by some members.

#### Members' satisfaction levels with departmental services, 2013 survey (2012 in brackets)

	tremely satisfied	Highly satisfied	Satisfied	Not satisfied
Advice and services received from the Clerks-at-the- Table in the Chamber and Federation Chamber	12 (13)	6 (4)	I (3)	0 (0)
Advice and services received from other staff in relation to Chamber and Federation Chamber duties	11 (12)	6 (4)	2 (4)	0 (0)
Quality and availability of procedural and statistical publications and support in obtaining such information	10 (8)	7 (6)	2 (4)	0 (0)
Procedural advice, research, analytical drafting and administrative support services in relation to committee inquiries and publication of the final report	10 (8)	7 (9)	2 (۱)	0(1)
Rating of the House of Representatives magazine About the House	3 (9)	6 (2)	5 (8)	l (l)
Advice and support received in relation to overseas parliamentary delegation visits	4 (5)	4 (5)	3 (4)	0 (0)
Services in relation to pay entitlements supplied by the department	7 (5)	6 (7)	5 (7)	0 (0)
Services provided by the Serjeant-at-Arms' Office	12 (5)	7 (12)	0 (2)	0 (0)
Information on members' home page on the Parliament of Australia website	9 (4)	3 (8)	6 (8)	0 (0)

Note: Not every member who completed the survey had used the full range of services.

# 13 Contact directory

This appendix contains the contact details of House of Representatives office holders and Department of the House of Representatives Senior Executive officers, as at 30 June 2013.

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Second Deputy Speaker, Mr Steve G	ieorganas MP		
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# 14 List of requirements

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	Significant issues and developments—portfolio	Portfolio departments— suggested	Not applicable
Departmental overview	Role and functions	Mandatory	6–9
	Organisational structure	Mandatory	6
	Outcome and program structure	Mandatory	7–8
	Where outcome and program structure differs from the Portfolio Budget Statements, Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements or other portfolio statements accompanying any other additional appropriation bills (other portfolio statements), details of variation and reasons for change	Mandatory	None to report
	Portfolio structure	Portfolio departments— mandatory	Not applicable
Report on performance	Review of performance during the year in relation to programs and contribution to outcomes	Mandatory	11–48
	Actual performance in relation to deliverables and key performance indicators set out in Portfolio Budget Statements, Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements or other portfolio statements	Mandatory	66–70
	Where performance targets differ from the Portfolio Budget Statements or Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements, details of both former and new targets, and reasons for the change	Mandatory	None to report
	Narrative discussion and analysis of performance	Mandatory	11–48
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Purchasing	Assessment of purchasing against core policies and principles	Mandatory	61
Consultants	The annual report must include a summary statement detailing the number of new consultancy services contracts let during the year; the total actual expenditure on all new consultancy contracts let during the year (inclusive of GST); the number of ongoing consultancy contracts that were active in the reporting year; and the total actual expenditure in the reporting year on the ongoing consultancy contracts (inclusive of GST). The annual report must include a statement noting that information on contracts and consultancies is available through the AusTender website	Mandatory	61
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	Ecologically sustainable development and environmental performance (section 516A of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999)	Mandatory	63
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	Disability reporting—explicit and transparent reference to agency-level information available through other reporting mechanisms	Mandatory	55
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	Spatial reporting—expenditure by program	If applicable, mandatory	Not applicable
	between regional and non-regional Australia		
	Correction of material errors in previous annual report	If applicable, mandatory	None to report
	Correction of material errors in previous	If applicable,	None to report