

**Select Committees  
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1 July 2023–31 December 2023**



# **Australia's Disaster Resilience**

# Australia's Disaster Resilience

1 July 2023 - 31 December 2023

	Matters current as at 1 July 2023	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2023
Select Committee	1	0	0 + (1*)	1

	Number of Meetings				Total Meetings
	Public hearings	Public Estimates	Private meetings	Site visits	
Select Committee	3	0	9	0	12

	Meetings By State							
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	2

	Witnesses			No of Submissions	Government Responses
	Estimates	Bills	General		
Select Committee	0	0	39	28	0

\*interim report

# Select Committee on Australia's Disaster Resilience

*1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 30 November 2022

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Jacqui Lambie (TAS, JLN) <i>(elected Chair on 08.12.2022)</i>	02.12.2022
Senator Tony Sheldon (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 08.12.2022)</i>	01.12.2022
Senator Perin Davey (NSW, NATS)	01.12.2022
Senator Karen Grogan (SA, ALP)	01.12.2022
Senator the Hon Linda Reynolds (WA, LP)	01.12.2022
Senator David Shoebridge (NSW, AG)	01.12.2022

## **Inquiries**

*As at 01.07.2023*

<b>Inquiry Detail</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings <i>01.07.2023–31.12.2023</i></b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2023</i></b>
Australia's resilience and response to natural disasters	30.11.2022	19.09.2023—Darwin 21.09.2023—Townsville QLD 22.09.2023—Brisbane	Interim report tabled 14.09.2023	Yes

## **New References**

*01.07.2023–31.12.2023*

Nil

## **Government Responses**

*01.07.2023–31.12.2023*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Commonwealth Bilateral  
Air Service Agreements**

# Commonwealth Bilateral Air Service Agreements

5 September 2023 - 9 October 2023

	Matters current as at 1 July 2023	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2023
Select Committee	0	1	1	0

	Number of Meetings				Total Meetings
	Public Estimates	Private meetings	Site visits		
Select Committee	0	10	0		15

	Meetings By State							
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	12	1	0	0	0	1	0	1

	Witnesses			No of Submissions	Government Responses
	Estimates	Bills	General		
Select Committee	0	0	83	153	0



# Select Committee on Commonwealth Bilateral Air Service Agreements

*5 September 2023 to 9 October 2023*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 5 September 2023

## Current members

*Date of appointment*

Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)

*(elected Chair on 07.09.2023)*

06.09.2023

Senator Ralph Babet (VIC, UAP)

*(elected Deputy Chair on 07.09.2023)*

07.09.2023

Senator Penny Allman-Payne (QLD, AG)

07.09.2023

Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)

06.09.2023

Senator Tony Sheldon (NSW, ALP)

06.09.2023

Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)

06.09.2023

Senator Linda White (VIC, ALP)

06.09.2023

## **Inquiries**

*As at 01.07.2023*

Nil

## **New References**

*05.09.2023–09.10.2023*

<b>Inquiry Detail</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings <i>05.09.2023–09.10.2023</i></b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2023</i></b>
Inquire into and report on all Federal Government decisions relating to any proposals received in the past 12 months for additional services to Australia's major airports <i>(resolution of appointment varied 07.09.2023)</i>	05.09.2023	19.09.2023—Sydney 22.09.2023—Perth 26.09.2023—Brisbane 27.09.2023—Canberra 28.09.2023—Canberra	First report presented OOS 09.10.2023; tabled 16.10.2023	No

## **Government Responses**

*05.09.2023–09.10.2023*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Cost of Living**

## Cost of Living

1 July 2023 - 31 December 2023

	Matters current as at 1 July 2023	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2023
Select Committee	1	0	0	1

	Number of Meetings				Total Meetings
	Public hearings	Public Estimates	Private meetings	Site visits	
Select Committee	7	0	3	0	10

	Meetings By State							
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	4	0	1	1	2	1	1	0

	Witnesses			No of Submissions*	Government Responses
	Estimates	Bills	General		
Select Committee	0	0	87	641	0

\*submission tally includes 635 survey responses

# Select Committee on the Cost of Living

1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 28 September 2022 *and varied on 14 September 2023 to allow substitution of a committee member*

## Current members

*Date of appointment*

Senator the Hon Jane Hume (VIC, LP)  
*(elected Chair on 26.10.2022)*

25.10.2022

Senator Penny Allman-Payne (QLD, AG)  
*(elected Deputy Chair on 26.10.2022)*

28.09.2022

Senator the Hon Matthew Canavan (QLD, NATS)

25.10.2022

Senator Karen Grogan (SA, ALP)

27.10.2022

Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)

25.10.2022

Senator Jana Stewart (VIC, ALP)

30.03.2023

## Former member

*Term of appointment*

Senator Tony Sheldon (NSW, ALP)

27.10.2022–30.03.2023

## Former substitute member

*Term of appointment*

Senator Fatima Payman (WA, ALP)<sup>1</sup>

19.10.2023–19.10.2023

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Stewart on 19 October 2023

## Inquiries

As at 01.07.2023

Inquiry Detail	Date Referred	Public Hearings 01.07.2023–31.12.2023	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2023
Cost of living pressures facing Australians	28.09.2022	10.07.2023—Hobart 04.08.2023—Canberra 21.08.2023—Adelaide 22.08.2023—Port Augusta SA 23.08.2023—Alice Springs NT 28.08.2023—East Melbourne 26.09.2023—Perth	Nil	Yes

## New References

01.07.2023–31.12.2023

Nil

## Government Responses

01.07.2023–31.12.2023

Nil

OOS (Out of session)

**Foreign Interference through  
Social Media**

## Foreign Interference through Social Media

1 July 2023 - 1 August 2023

	Matters current as at 1 July 2023	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2023
Select Committee	1	0	1	0

	Number of Meetings				
	Public hearings	Public Estimates	Private meetings	Site visits	Total Meetings
Select Committee	2	0	1	0	3

	Meetings By State							
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses			No of Submissions	Government Responses
	Estimates	Bills	General		
Select Committee	0	0	30	4	0



# Select Committee on Foreign Interference through Social Media

*1 July 2023 to 1 August 2023*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 24 November 2022

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.12.2022)</i>	28.11.2022
Senator Jess Walsh (VIC, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.12.2022)</i>	29.11.2022
Senator Claire Chandler (TAS, LP)	28.11.2022
Senator Raff Ciccone (VIC, ALP)	29.11.2022
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	01.12.2022

## **Inquiries**

*As at 01.07.2023*

<b>Inquiry Detail</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.07.2023–01.08.2023</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 31.12.2023</i>
Risk posed to Australia's democracy by foreign interference through social media	24.11.2022	11.07.2023—Canberra 12.07.2023—Canberra	01.08.2023	No

## **New References**

*01.07.2023–01.08.2023*

Nil

## **Government Responses**

*01.07.2023–01.08.2023*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Perth Mint and Commonwealth  
regulatory compliance**

## Perth Mint and Commonwealth regulatory compliance

1 July 2023 - 31 December 2023

	Matters current as at 1 July 2023	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2023
Select Committee	1	0	0 + (1*)	1

	Number of Meetings				Total Meetings
	Public hearings	Public Estimates	Private meetings	Site visits	
Select Committee	3	0	5	0	8

	Meetings By State							
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

	Witnesses			No of Submissions	Government Responses
	Estimates	Bills	General		
Select Committee	0	0	17	5	0

\*interim report

# Select Committee on the Perth Mint and Commonwealth regulatory compliance

*1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 22 June 2023

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 23.06.2023)</i>	22.06.2023
Senator Dorinda Cox (WA, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 23.06.2023)</i>	22.06.2023
Senator the Hon Slade Brockman (WA, LP)	22.06.2023
Senator Fatima Payman (WA, ALP)	22.06.2023
Senator the Hon Linda Reynolds (WA, LP)	22.06.2023
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	22.06.2023

## **Inquiries**

*As at 01.07.2023*

<b>Inquiry Detail</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings <i>01.07.2023–31.12.2023</i></b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2023</i></b>
Corporate and regulatory compliance of Gold Corporation and its trading entity, the Perth Mint, with Commonwealth legislation	22.06.2023	27.07.2023—Canberra 10.08.2023—Canberra 03.11.2023—Perth	Interim report presented OOS 20.12.2023	Yes

## **New References**

*01.07.2023–31.12.2023*

Nil

## **Government Responses**

*01.07.2023–31.12.2023*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Provision of and Access to Dental  
Services in Australia**

# Provision of and Access to Dental Services in Australia

1 July 2023 - 30 November 2023

	Matters current as at 1 July 2023	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2023
Select Committee	1	0	1	0

	Number of Meetings				
	Public hearings	Public Estimates	Private meetings	Site visits	Total Meetings
Select Committee	4	0	9	1	14

	Meetings By State							
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	10	0	0	1	0	2	0	1

	Witnesses			Government Responses	
	Estimates	Bills	General		No of Submissions
Select Committee	0	0	85	8	0



# Select Committee into the Provision of and Access to Dental Services in Australia

*1 July 2023 to 30 November 2023*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 8 March 2023

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Jordon Steele-John (WA, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 24.03.2023)</i>	09.03.2023
Senator Fatima Payman (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 24.03.2023)</i>	09.03.2023
Senator Wendy Askew (TAS, LP)	09.03.2023
Senator Ross Cadell (NSW, NATS)	09.03.2023
Senator Marielle Smith (SA, ALP)	09.03.2023

## **Inquiries**

*As at 01.07.2023*

<b>Inquiry Detail</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 01.07.2023–30.11.2023</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2023</b>
Provision of and access to dental services	08.03.2023	14.08.2023—Perth 24.08.2023—Launceston TAS 20.09.2023—Brisbane 20.10.2023—Canberra	A system in decay: A review into dental services in Australia— Final report tabled 30 November 2023	No

## **New References**

*01.07.2023–30.11.2023*

Nil

## **Government Responses**

*01.07.2023–30.11.2023*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

## **Supermarket Prices**

**Committee**  
December


Number of Meetings				
Public hearings	Public Estimates	Private meetings	Site visits	Total Meetings
0	0	1	0	1

do not enter data directly in total

Meetings By State							
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses			
Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
0	0	0	0

# Select Committee on Supermarket Prices

6 December 2023 to 31 December 2023

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 6 December 2023

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Nick McKim (TAS, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 14.12.2023)</i>	07.12.2023
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair 14.12.2023)</i>	07.12.2023
Senator Ross Cadell (NSW, NATS)	07.12.2023
Senator Karen Grogan (SA, ALP)	07.12.2023
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	07.12.2023
Senator Tammy Tyrrell (TAS, JLN)	07.12.2023

**Inquiries**  
*As at 01.07.2023*

Nil

**New References**  
*06.12.2023–31.12.2023*

<b>Inquiry Detail</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 06.12.2023–31.12.2023</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 31.12.2023</b>
Price setting practices and market power of major supermarkets	06.12.2023	Nil	Nil	Yes

**Government Responses**  
*06.12.2023–31.12.2023*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*