

# **PART SIX**

**1 January 2018–30 June 2018**



**Legislative and General Purpose  
Standing Committees administered  
by the Senate Committee Office  
1 January 2018–30 June 2018**



## **Community Affairs**

## Community Affairs

1 January 2018 - 30 June 2018

	Matters current as at 1 January 2018	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2018
Legislation	2	11	7 + 1 <sup>^</sup> + (7 <sup>**</sup> )	5
References	3	2	3 + (2 <sup>**</sup> )	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10 + 1<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>7</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	5	31:48	7	66:11	34	4:47	0	0:00	46	102:46
References	4	15:32	0	0:00	24	6:58	0	0:00	28	22:30
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>47:20</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>66:11</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>11:45</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0:00</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>125:16</b>

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	39	2	4	0	0	0	0	1
References	24	1	2	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

Witnesses						
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	12	568	142	0	260	4
References	4	0	0	60	620	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>880</b>	<b>9</b>

\* Includes referral of Annual reports x 1; Estimates x 2

\*\*Interim reports

<sup>^</sup> 2 inquiries were discharged by one report

# Community Affairs (Legislation)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Slade Brockman (WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 21.08.2017)</i>	17.08.2017
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Steve Martin (TAS, NATS)	27.06.2018
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	15.02.2017
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP) <sup>1</sup> <i>(Acting Chair 02.11.2017)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP)	10.10.2016–15.02.2017
Senator Jonathon Duniam (TAS, LP) <i>(Chair 01.09.2016–21.08.2017)</i>	01.09.2016–27.06.2018
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	01.09.2016–10.10.2016
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP)	01.09.2016–17.08.2017
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP) <sup>2</sup>	25.10.2017–25.10.2017
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP) <sup>3</sup>	28.02.2018–28.02.2018
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP) <sup>4</sup>	25.10.2017–25.10.2017
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP) <sup>5</sup>	28.02.2018–28.02.2018
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <sup>6</sup> <i>(Acting Chair on 31.08.2017)</i>	31.08.2017–31.08.2017

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Brockman on 2 November 2017

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget Estimates, from 8pm to 9pm on 25 October 2017

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the consideration of the 2017-18 Additional estimates, from 9am to 1pm on 28 February 2018

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget Estimates, from 9pm to 10pm on 25 October 2017

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the consideration of the 2017-18 Additional estimates, from 1pm to 6pm on 28 February 2018

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Brockman on 31 August 2017

Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <sup>7</sup>	27.06.2018–27.06.2018
Senator Sue Lines (WA, ALP) <sup>8</sup>	12.10.2017–12.10.2017
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP) <sup>9</sup>	01.03.2018–01.03.2018
Senator Malarndirri McCarthy (NT, ALP) <sup>10</sup>	12.10.2017–12.10.2017
Senator Jim Molan (NSW, LP) <sup>11</sup>	01.03.2018–01.03.2018
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <sup>12</sup>	19.10.2016–19.10.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <sup>13</sup>	25.10.2017–25.10.2017
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <sup>14</sup>	28.02.2018–28.02.2018
Senator Amanda Stoker (QLD, LP) <sup>15</sup>	29.05.2018–01.06.2018
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS) <sup>16</sup>	01.03.2018–01.03.2018

<sup>7</sup> Replaced Senator Smith on 27 June 2018

<sup>8</sup> Replaced Senator Watt on 12 October 2017

<sup>9</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the consideration of the 2017-18 Additional estimates, from 6pm on 1 March 2018

<sup>10</sup> Replaced Senator Singh on 12 October 2017

<sup>11</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the consideration of the 2017-18 Additional estimates, from 1pm to 6pm on 1 March 2018

<sup>12</sup> Replaced Senator Reynolds for the consideration of the 2016-17 supplementary Budget Estimates, from 7.30pm on 19 October

<sup>13</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget Estimates, from 10pm on 25 October 2017

<sup>14</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the consideration of the 2017-18 Additional estimates, from 6pm on 28 February 2018

<sup>15</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the consideration of the 2018-19 Budget estimates from 29 May to 1 June 2018

<sup>16</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the consideration of the 2017-18 Additional estimates, from 9am to 1pm on 1 March 2018



## Inquiries

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	20.03.2018	Ongoing
Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Bill 2017 [Provisions] and Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	30.11.2017 (SB)	16.02.2018—Canberra 06.03.2018—Melbourne	Progress report presented OOS 13.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018 Report tabled 28.03.2018	No
Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2017 Measures No. 1) Bill 2017 [Provisions] and Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Amendment Bill 2017 [Provisions]	30.11.2017 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 02.02.2018; tabled 05.02.2018	No

## New References

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Additional Estimates 2017–18	08.02.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 83—8 February 2018, p2647)	28.02.2018—Canberra 01.03.2018—Canberra	28.03.2018	No
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Drug Testing Trial) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	22.03.2018 (SB)	23.04.2018—Bass Hill NSW 24.04.2018—Logan QLD	Presented OOS 07.05.2018; tabled 08.05.2018	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Encouraging Self-sufficiency for Newly Arrived Migrants) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	28.03.2018 (SB)	17.04.2018—Melbourne	Progress report presented OOS 04.05.2018; tabled 08.05.2018 Second progress report presented OOS 18.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018 Third progress report presented OOS 25.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018 Fourth progress report presented OOS 15.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018 Fifth progress report presented OOS 22.06.2018; tabled 25.06.2018 Sixth progress report presented OOS 29.06.2018	Yes
Budget Estimates 2018–19	08.05.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 95—8 May 2018, p3033)	29–31 May 2018—Canberra 01.06.2018—Canberra 27.06.2018—Canberra	Nil	Yes
National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Bill 2018 [Provisions] and the National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	10.05.2018 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 15.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Health Insurance (Approved Pathology Specimen Collection Centres) Tax Amendment Bill 2018 [Provisions]	23.05.2018 <i>(Pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2018)</i>	Nil	Presented OOS 05.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No
Health Legislation Amendment (Improved Medicare Compliance and Other Measures) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	23.05.2018 <i>(Pursuant to the order of the Senate of 9 May 2018)</i>	Nil	Presented OOS 05.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No
Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill 2018; A New Tax System (Medicare Levy Surcharge–Fringe Benefits) Amendment (Excess Levels for Private Health Insurance Policies) Bill 2018; and Medicare Levy Amendment (Excess Levels for Private Health Insurance Policies) Bill 2018	19.06.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card Trial Expansion) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	21.06.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Maintaining Income Thresholds) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	21.06.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

## Government Responses

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill (No. 2) 2015 [Provisions]	Presented OOS 02.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	01.03.2016
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Payment Integrity) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	22.03.2018	07.09.2017
Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Bill 2017 [Provisions] and Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	Presented OOS 29.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	28.03.2018
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	26.06.2018	06.09.2017

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*

# Community Affairs (References)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Slade Brockman (WA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 21.08.2017)</i>	17.08.2017
Senator Steve Martin (TAS, NATS)	27.06.2018
Senator the Hon Kristina Keneally (NSW, ALP)	15.02.2018
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Substitute members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP) <sup>1</sup>	22.03.2018
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP) <sup>2</sup>	22.03.2018
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP)	10.10.2016–25.01.2018
Senator Jonathon Duniam (TAS, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 01.09.2016–21.08.2017)</i>	01.09.2016–27.06.2018
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	01.09.2016–10.10.2016
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP)	01.09.2016–17.08.2017
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins (VIC, ALP) <sup>3</sup>	03.08.2017–03.08.2017
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP) <sup>4</sup>	02.11.2016–02.11.2016

<sup>1</sup> Replaces Senator Watt for the committee's inquiry into mental health services in rural and remote Australia

<sup>2</sup> Replaces Senator Keneally for the committee's inquiry into effectiveness of the Aged Care Quality assessment and accreditation framework

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Pratt on 3 August 2017 for the committee's inquiry into number of women in Australia who have had transvaginal mesh implants and related matters

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Watt for the committee's inquiry into growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients

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Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP) <sup>5</sup>	15.09.2016–10.10.2016
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP) <sup>6</sup>	10.10.2016–20.06.2017
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP) <sup>7</sup>	16.08.2017–25.01.2018
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP) <sup>8</sup>	14.09.2017–15.11.2017

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<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Farrell for the committee's inquiry into the future of Australia's aged care sector workforce

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Dastyari for the committee's inquiry into the future of Australia's aged care sector workforce

<sup>7</sup> Replaced Senator Dastyari for the committee's inquiry into effectiveness of the Aged Care Quality assessment and accreditation framework

<sup>8</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the committee's inquiry into the future of rugby union in Australia

## **Inquiries**

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Number of women in Australia who have had transvaginal mesh implants and related matters	15.02.2017	06.02.2018—Canberra	28.03.2018	No
Effectiveness of the Aged Care Quality Assessment and accreditation framework for protecting residents from abuse and poor practices, and ensuring proper clinical and medical care standards are maintained and practised	13.06.2017	05.02.2018—Canberra	Interim report tabled 13.02.2018	Yes
Availability and accessibility of diagnostic imaging equipment around Australia	17.08.2017	Nil	Progress report presented OOS 07.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018  Report presented OOS 09.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	No

## New References

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Accessibility and quality of mental health services in rural and remote Australia	19.03.2018	05.06.2018—Albany, WA	Nil	Yes
Science of mitochondrial donation and related matters	21.03.2018	17.05.2018—Sydney	27.06.2018	No

## Government Responses

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Effectiveness of special arrangements for the supply of Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) medicines to remote area Aboriginal Health Services	20.03.2018	11.10.2011
Delivery of outcomes under the National Disability Strategy 2010-2020 to build inclusive and accessible communities	22.03.2018	29.11.2017
Future of rugby union in Australia	Presented OOS 17.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	15.11.2017
Effectiveness of the Aged Care Quality Assessment and accreditation framework for protecting residents from abuse and poor practices, and ensuring proper clinical and medical care standards are maintained and practised—Interim report	26.06.2018	13.02.2018
Future of Australia's aged care sector workforce	26.06.2018	20.06.2017

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*



**Economics**

## Economics

1 January 2018 - 30 June 2018

	Matters current as at 1 January 2018	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2018
Legislation	2	17	16 + (2**)	3
References	6	4	3 + (3**)	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>10</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	7	40:33	6	62:10	27	1:43	0	0:00	40	104:26
References	9	49:14	0	0:00	17	2:15	0	0:00	26	51:29
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>89:47</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>62:10</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>3:58</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0:00</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>155:55</b>

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	34	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
References	16	2	4	0	0	1	1	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>

Witnesses						
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	13	206	100	0	151	2
References	9	0	0	101	505	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>6</b>

\* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; Estimates x 2

\*\* Interim reports

# Economics (Legislation)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Amanda Stoker (QLD, LP)	22.03.2018
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	14.11.2017
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, IND)	05.12.2016–15.02.2017
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	12.09.2016–05.12.2016
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	15.02.2017–22.03.2018
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, NXT)	01.09.2016–31.10.2017
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>1</sup>	16.11.2017–06.02.2018
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>2</sup>	22.03.2018–07.05.2018

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Wish-Wilson for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Treasury Laws Amendment (National Housing and Homelessness Agreement) Bill 2017

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Wish-Wilson for the committee's inquiry into the National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation Bill 2018 and a related bill

## Inquiries

As at 01.01.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	20.03.2018	Ongoing
Financial Sector Legislation Amendment (Crisis Resolution Powers and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	16.11.2017 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 09.02.2018; tabled 12.02.2018	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (National Housing and Homelessness Agreement) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	16.11.2017 (SB)	29.01.2018—Melbourne	06.02.2018	No

## New References

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Additional Estimates 2017–18	08.02.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 83—8 February 2018, p2647)	28.02.2018—Canberra 01.03.2018—Canberra	28.03.2018	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Enhancing Whistleblower Protections) Bill 2017	08.02.2018 (SB)	06.03.2018—Melbourne	Progress report presented OOS 16.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018  Report tabled 22.03.2018	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 2) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	15.02.2018 (SB)	06.03.2018—Melbourne	Presented OOS 15.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Treasury Laws Amendment (Reducing Pressure on Housing Affordability Measures No. 2) Bill 2018 [Provisions] and Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment (Near-new Dwelling Interests) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	15.02.2018 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 23.03.2018; tabled 26.03.2018	No
National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation Bill 2018 and National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018	22.03.2018 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 07.05.2018; tabled 08.05.2018	No
National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Mandatory Comprehensive Credit Reporting) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	28.03.2018 (SB)	15.05.2018—Melbourne	Progress report presented OOS 23.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018 Report presented OOS 05.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No
Budget Estimates 2018–19	08.05.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 95—8 May 2018, p3033)	29–31 May 2018—Canberra 05.06.2018—Canberra	26.06.2018	No
Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Productivity Commission Response Part 1 and Other Measures) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	10.05.2018 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 22.06.2018; tabled 25.06.2018	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 4) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	10.05.2018 (SB)	01.06.2018—Canberra	Presented OOS 13.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Personal Income Tax Plan) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	10.05.2018 (SB)	06.06.2018—Canberra	18.06.2018	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Superannuation Measures No. 1) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	24.05.2018 <i>(Pursuant to order of the Senate of 9 May 2018)</i>	12.06.2018—Canberra	18.06.2018	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Accelerated Depreciation for Small Business Entities) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	24.05.2018 <i>(Pursuant to order of the Senate of 9 May 2018)</i>	Nil	Presented OOS 30.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Tax Integrity and Other Measures No. 2) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	24.05.2018 <i>(Pursuant to order of the Senate of 9 May 2018)</i>	Nil	18.06.2018	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Protecting Your Superannuation Package) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	21.06.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Space Activities Amendment (Launches and Returns) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	21.06.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2018 [Provisions] and Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Amendment Bill 2018 [Provisions]	28.06.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

## Government Responses

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Corporations Amendment (Crowd-sourced Funding) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	Presented OOS 02.02.2018; tabled 05.02.2018	13.02.2017
Customs Amendment (Anti-Dumping Measures) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	06.02.2018	06.10.2017

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*

# Economics (References)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator the Hon Kristina Keneally (NSW, ALP)	15.02.2018
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Amanda Stoker (QLD, LP)	22.03.2018
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	14.11.2017
<b>Substitute members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Andrew Bartlett (QLD, AG) <sup>1</sup>	08.02.2018
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) <sup>2</sup>	22.03.2018
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <sup>3</sup>	20.06.2018
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, IND)	05.12.2016–15.02.2017
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016–25.01.2018
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	12.09.2016–05.12.2016
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	15.02.2017–22.03.2018
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, NXT)	01.09.2016–31.10.2017

<sup>1</sup> Replaces Senator Whish-Wilson for the committee's inquiry into the governance and operation of the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility

<sup>2</sup> Replaces Senator Whish-Wilson for the committee's inquiry into a national radioactive waste management facility in South Australia

<sup>3</sup> Replaces Senator Whish-Wilson for the committee's inquiry into financial and tax practices of for-profit aged care providers



<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Kim Carr (VIC, ALP) <sup>4</sup>	07.02.2017–01.12.2017
Senator the Hon Kim Carr (VIC, ALP) <sup>5</sup>	07.02.2017–25.01.2018
Senator the Hon Kim Carr (VIC, ALP) <sup>6</sup>	21.03.2018–28.06.2018
Senator Rex Patrick (SA, CA) <sup>7</sup>	07.12.2017–28.06.2018
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <sup>8</sup>	22.06.2017–31.10.2017
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <sup>9</sup>	08.08.2017–31.10.2017
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <sup>10</sup>	16.11.2017–08.02.2018
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP) <sup>11</sup>	03.04.2017–03.04.2017
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG) <sup>12</sup>	15.06.2017–18.07.2017
<b>Former subcommittee members<sup>13</sup></b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP) <i>(Sub-Committee Chair)</i>	08.03.2017–08.03.2017
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	08.03.2017–08.03.2017
<b>Former subcommittee members<sup>14</sup></b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) <i>(Sub-Committee Chair)</i>	09.03.2017–09.03.2017
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, NXT)	09.03.2017–09.03.2017

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Dastyari for the committee's inquiry into Australia's steel industry

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Dastyari for the committee's inquiry into the future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Keneally for the committee's inquiry into the future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry

<sup>7</sup> Replaced Senator Whish-Wilson for the committee's inquiry into the future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry

<sup>8</sup> Replaced Senator Xenophon for the committee's inquiry into the operations of existing and proposed toll roads in Australia

<sup>9</sup> Replaced Senator Xenophon for the committee's inquiry into the governance and operation of the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility

<sup>10</sup> Replaced Senator Whish-Wilson for the committee's inquiry into the governance and operation of the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility

<sup>11</sup> Replaced Senator Hume for the committee's inquiry into the future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry on 3 April 2017

<sup>12</sup> Replaced Senator Xenophon for the committee's inquiry into the governance and operation of the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility

<sup>13</sup> Inquiry into carbon risk disclosure on 8 March 2017

<sup>14</sup> Inquiry into non-conforming building products on 9 March 2017

<b>Former subcommittee members<sup>15</sup></b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP) <i>((Sub-Committee Chair))</i>	28.06.2017–28.06.2017
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, NXT)	28.06.2017–28.06.2017

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<sup>15</sup> Inquiry into consumer protection in the banking, insurance and financial sector on 28 June 2017

## Inquiries

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Corporate tax avoidance	11.10.2016	14.03.2018—Melbourne	Part III – Much heat, little light so far Presented OOS 30.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No
Foreign bribery	11.10.2016	Nil	28.03.2018	No
Non-conforming building products	11.10.2016 <i>(terms of reference updated 07.11.2016)</i>	Nil	Nil	Yes
Future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry	11.10.2016 <i>(terms of reference updated 11.10.2016)</i>	07.06.2018—Canberra	28.06.2018	No
Consumer protection in the banking, insurance and financial sector	29.11.2016	22.02.2018—Melbourne	Nil	Yes
Governance and operation of the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility (NAIF)	14.06.2017	01.02.2018—Cairns 02.02.2018—Darwin 09.04.2018—Broome 20.06.2018—Canberra	Progress report presented OOS 24.04.2018; tabled 08.05.2018	Yes

## New References

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Site selection process for a national radioactive waste management facility at Kimba and Hawker in SA	06.02.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes
Regional inequality in Australia	14.02.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Commitment to the Senate issued by the Business Council of Australia	26.03.2018	24.04.2018—Sydney 26.04.2018—Melbourne	Progress report presented OOS 24.04.2018; tabled 08.05.2018 Interim report presented OOS 31.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	Yes
Financial and tax practices of for-profit aged care providers	10.05.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes

### **Government Responses**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Non-conforming building products: Aluminium composite cladding—Interim report	13.02.2018	06.09.2017
Carbon risk: a burning issue	Presented OOS 07.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	21.04.2017
Out of reach? The Australian housing affordability challenge	28.03.2018	08.05.2015
'Lifting the fear and suppressing the greed': Penalties for white-collar crime and corporate and financial misconduct in Australia	Presented OOS 04.05.2018; tabled 08.05.2018	23.03.2017

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*

# **Education and Employment**

## Education and Employment

1 January 2018 - 30 June 2018

	Matters current as at 1 January 2018	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2018
Legislation	2	5	7	0
References	1	4	1 + (1**)	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	2	8:57	6	64:35	14	1:12	0	0:00	22	74:44
References	2	6:13	0	0:00	9	0:45	0	0:00	11	6:58
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>15:10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>64:35</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1:57</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0:00</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>81:42</b>

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	21	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
References	8	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Witnesses						
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	8	378	28	0	47	0
References	2	0	0	17	152	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>3</b>

\* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; Estimates x 2

\*\*Interim report

# Education and Employment (Legislation)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Lucy Gichuhi (SA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 07.02.2018)</i>	05.02.2018
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 15.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	01.09.2016
Senator Jim Molan (NSW, LP) <i>(Acting Chair 05.06.2018)</i>	05.02.2018
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP)	05.12.2017
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	22.11.2016–23.11.2016
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	23.11.2016–30.11.2016
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP)	30.11.2016–05.12.2017
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	08.11.2016–22.11.2016
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <i>(Chair 01.09.2016–17.08.2017)</i>	01.09.2016–17.08.2017
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016–08.11.2016
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP) <i>(Chair 17.08.2017–05.02.2018)</i>	17.08.2017–05.02.2018
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	01.09.2016–05.02.2018
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <sup>1</sup>	05.06.2018–05.06.2018
Senator the Hon Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) <sup>2</sup>	25.10.2017–25.10.2017

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson for the committee's consideration of the 2017-18 Additional estimates from 9am to 4pm on Tuesday, 5 June 2018

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Collins for the committee's consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates on 25 October 2017

Senator the Hon Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) <sup>3</sup>	26.10.2017–26.10.2017
Senator the Hon Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) <sup>4</sup>	27.10.2017–27.10.2017
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) <sup>5</sup>	28.02.2018–28.02.2018
Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins (VIC, ALP) <sup>6</sup>	24.07.2017–25.07.2017
Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins (VIC, ALP) <sup>7</sup>	23.10.2017–26.10.2017
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP) <sup>8</sup>	30.10.2017–30.10.2017
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <sup>9</sup>	13.09.2016–23.09.2016
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <sup>10</sup>	27.10.2017–27.10.2017
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <sup>11</sup>	30.10.2017–30.10.2017
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP) <sup>12</sup>	26.10.2017–26.10.2017
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>13</sup>	14.09.2016–10.10.2016
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>14</sup>	10.10.2016–14.10.2016
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>15</sup>	09.02.2017–15.02.2017
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>16</sup>	23.03.2017–09.05.2017
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>17</sup>	31.03.2017–06.09.2017

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Collins for the committee's consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates from 7pm on 26 October 2017

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Marshall for the committee's consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates on 27 October 2017

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Molan for the committee's consideration of the 2017-18 Additional estimates from 9am to 12.30pm on Wednesday, 28 February 2018

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Ketter for the committee's inquiry into the Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (A More Sustainable, Responsive and Transparent Higher Education System) Bill 2017 [Provisions]

<sup>7</sup> Replaced Senator Marshall for the committee's consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates from 23 October to 26 October 2017

<sup>8</sup> Replaced Senator Reynolds for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2017 on 30 October 2017

<sup>9</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson from 13 September 2016 to 23 September 2016

<sup>10</sup> Replaced Senator Williams for the committee's consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates on 27 October 2017

<sup>11</sup> Replaced Senator Williams for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2017, from 11am to 3.30pm on 30 October 2017

<sup>12</sup> Replaced Senator Collins for the committee's consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates to 7pm on 26 October 2017

<sup>13</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Fair Work Amendment (Respect for Emergency Services Volunteers) Bill 2016

<sup>14</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 and related bill

<sup>15</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Amendment Bill 2017

<sup>16</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Vulnerable Workers) Bill 2017

<sup>17</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Fair Work Amendment (Pay Protection) Bill 2017



Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>18</sup>	17.08.2017–12.10.2017
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>19</sup>	19.10.2017–10.11.2017
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <sup>20</sup>	10.11.2016–28.11.2016
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP) <sup>21</sup>	26.10.2017–26.10.2017
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG) <sup>22</sup>	15.09.2016–30.11.2016

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<sup>18</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2017

<sup>19</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2017

<sup>20</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Social Security Legislation Amendment (Youth Jobs Path: Prepare, Trial, Hire) Bill 2016

<sup>21</sup> Replaced Senator Williams for the committee's consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates, from 5pm to 11pm on 26 October 2017

<sup>22</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015

## Inquiries

As at 01.01.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	20.03.2018	Ongoing
Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Executive Remuneration) Bill 2017	16.11.2017 (SB)	Nil	28.03.2018	No
Migration Amendment (Skilling Australians Fund) Bill 2017 [Provisions] and Migration (Skilling Australians Fund) Charges Bill 2017 [Provisions]	16.11.2017 (SB)	30.01.2018—Canberra	Presented OOS 09.02.2018; tabled 12.02.2018	No

## New References

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Additional Estimates 2017–18	08.02.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 83—8 February 2018, p2647)	28.02.2018—Canberra 01.03.2018—Canberra	Presented OOS 04.04.2018; tabled 08.05.2018	No
Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (Student Loan Sustainability) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	15.02.2018 (SB)	05.03.2018—Melbourne	Presented OOS 16.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	No
Budget Estimates 2018–19	08.05.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 95—8 May 2018, p3033)	29–31 May 2018—Canberra 05.06.2018—Canberra	26.06.2018	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Education and Other Legislation Amendment (VET Student Loan Debt Separation) Bill 2018 [Provisions] and Student Loans (Overseas Debtors Repayment Levy) Amendment Bill 2018 [Provisions]	10.05.2018 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 15.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No

## **Government Responses**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*

# Education and Employment (References)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Lucy Gichuhi (SA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 07.02.2018)</i>	05.02.2018
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	22.11.2016
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	01.09.2016
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP)	05.12.2017
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP)	01.09.2016
<b>Substitute members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>1</sup>	07.06.2018
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>2</sup>	27.06.2018
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins (VIC, ALP)	01.09.2016–05.12.2017
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	08.11.2016–22.11.2016
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <i>(Deputy Chair 01.09.2016–17.08.2017)</i>	01.09.2016–17.08.2017
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016–08.11.2016
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 17.08.2017–05.02.2018)</i>	17.08.2017–05.02.2018

<sup>1</sup> Replaces Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the prevention, investigation and prosecution of industrial deaths in Australia

<sup>2</sup> Replaces Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into the work health and safety of workers in the offshore petroleum industry

<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Slade Brockman (WA, LP) <sup>3</sup>	13.06.2018–13.06.2018
Senator Chris Ketter (QLD, ALP) <sup>4</sup>	19.10.2017–30.06.2018
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>5</sup>	07.11.2016–06.09.2017
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG) <sup>6</sup>	22.06.2017–04.10.2017

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Gichuhi on 13 June 2018

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Bilyk until 31 December 2017

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into corporate avoidance of the *Fair Work Act 2009*

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Hanson-Young for the committee's inquiry into penalty rates

## **Inquiries**

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Vocational education and training in South Australia	06.12.2017	02.02.2018—Sydney	Progress report presented OOS 28.02.2018; tabled 19.03.2018  Report presented OOS 01.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	No

## **New References**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Work health and safety of workers in the offshore petroleum industry	08.02.2018	13.06.2018—Fremantle, WA	Nil	Yes
Prevention, investigation and prosecution of industrial deaths in Australia	26.03.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes
High rates of mental health conditions experienced by first responders, emergency service workers and volunteers	27.03.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes
Exploitation of general and specialist cleaners working in retail chains for contracting or subcontracting cleaning companies	19.06.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes

## Government Responses

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Penalty rates	Presented OOS 30.01.2018; tabled 05.02.2018	04.10.2017
Getting our money's worth: the operation, regulation and funding of private vocational education and training (VET) providers in Australia	07.02.2018	15.10.2015
Technical and further education in Australia	07.02.2018	14.05.2014

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*





# **Environment and Communications**

## Environment and Communications

1 January 2018 - 30 June 2018

	Matters current as at 1 January 2018	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2018
Legislation	5	5	10 + (1**)	0
References	6	3	2 + (1**)	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	4	12:14	9	66:33	13	1:06	0	0:00	26	79:53
References	10	35:13	0	0:00	17	3:15	2	8:00	29	46:28
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>47:27</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>66:33</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>4:21</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8:00</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>126:21</b>

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	21	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
References	19	4	2	0	0	2	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>

Witnesses						
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	13	334	61	0	80	5
References	10	0	0	105	84	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>8</b>

\* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; Estimates x 2

\*\* Interim reports

# Environment and Communications (Legislation)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Jonathon Duniham (TAS, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 21.08.2017)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 07.09.2017)</i>	04.09.2017
Senator Anthony Chisholm (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Steve Martin (TAS, NATS)	27.06.2018
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	27.03.2017
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <i>(Chair 13.09.2016–05.12.2016)</i>	12.09.2016–05.12.2016
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <sup>1</sup> <i>(Chair 28.11.2016–28.11.2016)</i>	01.09.2016–27.03.2017
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(Chair 01.09.2016–12.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(Chair 05.12.2016–15.02.2017)</i>	05.12.2016–15.02.2017
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP) <i>(Chair 16.02.2017–21.08.2017)</i>	15.02.2017–27.06.2018
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG) <i>(Deputy Chair 08.09.2016–07.02.2017)</i>	01.09.2016–07.02.2017
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <i>(Deputy Chair 07.02.2017–04.09.2017)</i>	07.02.2017–04.09.2017
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP) <sup>2</sup>	24.05.2018–24.05.2018
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP) <sup>3</sup>	24.05.2018–24.05.2018
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <sup>4</sup>	22.05.2017–22.05.2017

<sup>1</sup> Inquiry into the Interactive Gambling Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Williams for the consideration of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on 24 May 2018 to 5pm

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Urquhart for the consideration of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on 24 May 2018 from 9.30 pm

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Williams for the consideration of the 2017-18 Budget estimates on 22 May 2017 from 9am to 3pm

Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <sup>5</sup>	24.10.2017–24.10.2017
Senator the Hon Kim Carr (VIC, ALP) <sup>6</sup>	24.10.2017–24.10.2017
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) <sup>7</sup>	24.10.2017–24.10.2017
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <sup>8</sup>	07.03.2017–07.03.2017
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <sup>9</sup>	23.05.2018–24.05.2018
Senator the Hon Kristina Keneally (NSW, ALP) <sup>10</sup>	26.03.2018–26.03.2018
Senator the Hon Kristina Keneally (NSW, ALP) <sup>11</sup>	23.05.2018–24.05.2018
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) <sup>12</sup>	18.10.2016–18.10.2016
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) <sup>13</sup>	24.05.2017–25.05.2017
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <sup>14</sup>	25.11.2016–25.11.2016
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <sup>15</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair)</i>	06.03.2017–06.03.2017
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <sup>16</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair)</i>	09.03.2017–09.03.2017
Senator Clair Moore (QLD, ALP) <sup>17</sup>	22.05.2018–22.05.2018
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP) <sup>18</sup>	18.11.2016–18.11.2016
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP) <sup>19</sup>	20.11.2017–24.11.2017
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP) <sup>20</sup>	24.05.2018–24.05.2018
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <sup>21</sup>	18.11.2016–18.11.2016

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Williams for the consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates on 24 October 2017

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Urquhart on Tuesday, 24 October 2017 between 8am and 9am

<sup>7</sup> Replaced Senator Rice on Tuesday, 24 October 2017

<sup>8</sup> Replaced Senator Reynolds for the committee's inquiry into the Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015

<sup>9</sup> Replaced Senator Reynolds for the consideration of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on 23 and 24 May 2018

<sup>10</sup> Replaced Senator Urquhart for the consideration of the 2017–18 Additional estimates on 26 March 2018

<sup>11</sup> Replaced Senator Chisholm for the consideration of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on 23 May and 24 May 2018

<sup>12</sup> Replaced Senator Waters on 18 October 2016

<sup>13</sup> Replaced Senator Wish-Wilson for the consideration of the 2017-18 Budget estimates on 24 and 25 May 2017

<sup>14</sup> Replaced Senator Hume for the consideration of the 2016-17 supplementary Budget estimates on 25 November 2016

<sup>15</sup> Replaced Senator Reynolds for the committee's inquiry into the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015 on 6 March 2017

<sup>16</sup> Replaced Senator Reynolds for the committee's inquiry into the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015 on 9 March 2017

<sup>17</sup> Replaced Senator Chisholm for the consideration of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on 22 May 2018

<sup>18</sup> Replaced Senator Urquhart on 18 November 2016

<sup>19</sup> Replaced Senator Chisholm from Monday, 20 November to Friday, 24 November 2017

<sup>20</sup> Replaced Senator Urquhart for the consideration of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on 24 May 2018 from 3.30pm to 9.30pm

<sup>21</sup> Replaced Senator Hume for the consideration of the 2016-17 supplementary Budget estimates on 18 November 2016

Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <sup>22</sup>	16.06.2017–16.06.2017
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP) <sup>23</sup>	24.05.2018–24.05.2018
Senator Amanda Stoker (QLD, LP) <sup>24</sup>	21.05.2018–22.05.2018
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <sup>25</sup> <i>(Acting Deputy Chair on 18.10.2016)</i>	18.10.2016–18.10.2016

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<sup>22</sup> Replaced Senator Reynolds for the committee's inquiry into the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Restoring Shortwave Radio) Bill 2017 on 16 June 2017

<sup>23</sup> Replaced Senator Williams for the consideration of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on 24 May 2018 from 5pm

<sup>24</sup> Replaced Senator Reynolds for the consideration of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on 21 and 22 May 2018

<sup>25</sup> Replaced Senator Ludlam on 18 October 2016

## Inquiries

As at 01.01.2018

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	20.03.2018	Ongoing
Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Fair and Balanced) Bill 2017	16.11.2017 (SB)	Nil	Progress report presented OOS 09.02.2018; tabled 12.02.2018  Report presented OOS 16.02.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	No
Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Measures) Bill 2017	16.11.2017 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 16.02.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	No
Communications Legislation Amendment (Online Content Services and Other Measures) Bill 2017	07.12.2017 (SB)	01.02.2018—Melbourne	12.02.2018	No
Communications Legislation Amendment (Regional and Small Publishers Innovation Fund) Bill 2017	07.12.2017 (SB)	01.02.2018—Melbourne	12.02.2018	No
Copyright Amendment (Service Providers) Bill 2017	07.12.2017 (SB)	06.03.2018—Melbourne	19.03.2018	No

## New References

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Additional Estimates 2017–18	08.02.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 83—8 February 2018, p2647)	26–27 February 2018—Canberra 26.03.2018—Canberra 10–11 April 2018—Canberra	09.05.2018	No
Clean Energy Finance Corporation Amendment (Carbon Capture and Storage) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	08.02.2018 (SB)	18.04.2018—Melbourne	08.05.2018	No
National Broadcasters Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Transparency) Bill 2017	08.02.2018 (SB)	Nil	26.03.2018	No
Budget Estimates 2018–19	08.05.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 95—8 May 2018, p3033)	21–24 May 2018—Canberra	26.06.2018	No

## Government Responses

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer) Bill 2017 [Provisions] and Telecommunications (Regional Broadband Scheme) Charge Bill 2017 [Provisions]	Presented OOS 25.01.2018; tabled 05.02.2018	06.09.2017
Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Local Content) Bill 2014	Presented OOS 09.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	27.03.2015
Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015	Presented OOS 09.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	13.04.2017
Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Restoring Shortwave Radio) Bill 2017	Presented OOS 09.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	09.08.2017
Copyright Amendment (Service Providers) Bill 2017	09.05.2018	19.03.2018

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*



# Environment and Communications (References)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 07.09.2017)</i>	04.09.2017
Senator Jonathon Duniam (TAS, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 07.09.2017)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Anthony Chisholm (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator the Hon Kristina Keneally (NSW, ALP)	15.02.2018
Senator Steve Martin (TAS, NATS)	27.06.2018
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Substitute members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (AG, SA) <sup>1</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 16.11.2017)</i>	19.10.2017
Senator Jordan Steele-John (WA, AG) <sup>2</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 28.06.2018)</i>	28.06.2018
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <sup>3</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 21.06.2018)</i>	20.06.2018
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 15.09.2016–05.12.2016)</i>	12.09.2016–05.12.2016
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016–25.01.2018
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	05.02.2018–15.02.2018
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 08.09.2016–12.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 05.12.2016–15.02.2017)</i>	05.12.2016–15.02.2017
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 16.02.2017–07.09.2017)</i>	15.02.2017–27.06.2018
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG) <i>(Chair 08.09.2016–07.02.2017)</i>	01.09.2016–07.02.2017
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <i>(Chair 07.02.2017–04.09.2017)</i>	07.02.2017–04.09.2017

<sup>1</sup> Replaces Senator Rice for the committee's inquiry into Australian content on broadcast, radio and streaming services

<sup>2</sup> Replaces Senator Rice for the committee's inquiry into gaming micro-transactions for chance-based items

<sup>3</sup> Replaces Senator Rice for the committee's inquiry into the *Great Barrier Reef 2050 Partnership Program*

<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <sup>4</sup>	16.11.2016–16.11.2016
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <sup>5</sup>	08.02.2017–11.05.2017
Senator David Fawcett (LP, SA) <sup>6</sup> <i>(Deputy Chair on 16.11.2016)</i>	16.11.2016–16.11.2016
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) <sup>7</sup>	08.11.2016–11.05.2017
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (AG, SA) <sup>8</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 13.10.2016)</i>	10.10.2016–07.02.2017
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (AG, SA) <sup>9</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 08.02.2017)</i>	07.02.2017–11.05.2017
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <sup>10</sup>	22.02.2017–22.02.2017
Senator Sue Lines (WA, ALP) <sup>11</sup>	26.07.2017–26.07.2017
Senator Sue Lines (WA, ALP) <sup>12</sup>	28.07.2017–28.07.2017
Senator Sue Lines (WA, ALP) <sup>13</sup>	06.03.2018–07.03.2018
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP) <sup>14</sup>	29.08.2017–30.08.2017
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP) <sup>15</sup>	29.08.2017–30.08.2017
Senator Nick McKim (AG, TAS) <sup>16</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 13.10.2016)</i>	10.10.2016–08.12.2016
Senator Nick McKim (AG, TAS) <sup>17</sup> <i>(Chair on 01.11.2016)</i>	01.11.2016–01.11.2016
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP) and Senator Sue Lines (WA, ALP) <sup>18</sup>	16.02.2017–06.03.2017

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the committee's inquiry into oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight on 16 November 2016

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the committee's inquiry into oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Bushby for the committee's inquiry into oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight on 16 November 2016

<sup>7</sup> Replaced Senator Dastyari for the committee's inquiry into oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight

<sup>8</sup> Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight

<sup>9</sup> Replaced Senator Wish-Wilson for the committee's inquiry into oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight

<sup>10</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the committee's inquiry into the retirement of coal fired power stations on 22 February 2017

<sup>11</sup> Replaced Senator Urquhart for the committee's inquiry into shark mitigation and deterrent measures on 26 July 2017

<sup>12</sup> Replaced Senator Urquhart for the committee's inquiry into shark mitigation and deterrent measures on 28 July 2017

<sup>13</sup> Replaced Senator Urquhart for the committee's inquiry into rehabilitation of mining and resources projects on 6 and 7 March 2018

<sup>14</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the committee's inquiry into shark mitigation and deterrent measures on 29 and 30 August 2017

<sup>15</sup> Replaced Senator Reynolds for the committee's inquiry into impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity on 29 and 30 August 2017

<sup>16</sup> Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into recent bushfires in remote Tasmanian wilderness

<sup>17</sup> Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into large-capacity fishing vessels on 1 November 2016

<sup>18</sup> Replaced Senators Chisholm and Urquhart for the committee's inquiry into the continuation of the construction of the Perth Freight Link in the face of significant environmental breaches

Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <sup>19</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 22.06.2017)</i>	15.06.2017–04.09.2017
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <sup>20</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 10.08.2017)</i>	09.08.2017–04.09.2017
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP) <sup>21</sup>	09.02.2017–15.02.2017
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP) <sup>22</sup>	16.02.2017–21.03.2018
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <sup>23</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 14.09.2017)</i>	07.09.2017–06.12.2017
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <sup>24</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 14.09.2017)</i>	07.09.2017–12.12.2017
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <sup>25</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 14.09.2017)</i>	07.09.2017–26.06.2018
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <sup>26</sup> <i>(Inquiry Chair from 14.09.2017)</i>	14.09.2017–21.03.2018
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS) <sup>27</sup>	02.05.2017–02.05.2017

<sup>19</sup> Replaced Senator Whish-Wilson for the committee's inquiry into the rehabilitation of mining and resources projects

<sup>20</sup> Replaced Senator Whish-Wilson for the committee's inquiry into the impacts of climate change on housing, buildings and infrastructure

<sup>21</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson for the committee's inquiry into Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula

<sup>22</sup> Replaced Senator Reynolds for the committee's inquiry into Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula

<sup>23</sup> Replaced Senator Rice for the committee's inquiry into impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity

<sup>24</sup> Replaced Senator Rice for the committee's inquiry into shark mitigation and deterrent measures

<sup>25</sup> Replaced Senator Rice for the committee's inquiry into waste and recycling industry in Australia

<sup>26</sup> Replaced Senator Rice for the committee's inquiry into Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula

<sup>27</sup> Replaced Senator Duniam for the committee's inquiry into shark mitigation and deterrent measures on 2 May 2017

## Inquiries

As at 01.01.2018

Inquiry Name	Date Referred	Public Hearings <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Protection of Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula	30.11.2016	Nil	21.03.2018	No
Rehabilitation of mining and resources projects and power station ash dams as it relates to Commonwealth responsibilities	08.02.2017 <i>(Terms of Reference varied 27.03.2018)</i>	14.02.2018—Canberra 07.03.2018—Perth	Nil	Yes
Current and future impacts of climate change on housing, buildings and infrastructure	09.05.2017	15.03.2018—Melbourne 22.03.2018—Canberra	Nil	Yes
Waste and recycling industry in Australia	17.08.2017	14.03.2018—Sydney 21.03.2018—Canberra 30.04.2018—Brisbane	Progress report presented OOS 12.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018 Never waste a crisis: the waste and recycling industry in Australia tabled 26.06.2018	No
Adequacy of the regulatory framework governing water use by the extractive industry	18.10.2017	01.05.2018—Brisbane 02.05.2018—Sydney	Nil	Yes
Economic and cultural value of Australian content on broadcast, radio and streaming services	18.10.2017	11.04.2018—Canberra	Nil	Yes

## New References

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
2018–19 Budget Measure <i>Great Barrier Reef 2050 Partnership Program</i>	19.06.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes
Australia's faunal extinction crisis	27.06.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes
Gaming micro-transactions for chance-based items	28.06.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes

## Government Responses

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Game on: more than playing around – The future of Australia's video game development industry	Presented OOS 31.01.2018; tabled 05.02.2018	29.04.2016
Australian Broadcasting Corporation's commitment to reflecting and representing regional diversity	Presented OOS 09.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	20.03.2013
Effectiveness of current regulatory arrangements in dealing with radio simulcasts	Presented OOS 09.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	12.07.2013

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*



# **Finance and Public Administration**

## Finance and Public Administration

1 January 2018 - 30 June 2018

	Matters current as at 1 January 2018	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2018
Legislation	0	4	3 + (1**)	1
References	2	0	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	0	0:00	9	71:39	16	0:39	3	2:07	28	74:25
References	3	10:57	0	0:00	4	0:15	1	1:44	8	12:56
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10:57</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>71:39</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0:54</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3:51</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>87:21</b>

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	27	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Witnesses						
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	9	203	0	0	0	0
References	3	0	0	26	3	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>

\* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; Estimates x 2

\*\*Interim report



# Finance and Public Administration (Legislation)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 16.02.2017)</i>	15.02.2017
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	08.11.2016
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	13.09.2016
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Amanda Stoker (QLD, LP)	22.03.2018
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP) <i>(Chair 01.09.2016–12.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, IND) <i>(Chair 05.12.2016–15.02.2017)</i>	05.12.2016–15.02.2017
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	01.09.2016–08.11.2016
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	05.02.2018–22.03.2018
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.09.2016–05.02.2018
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(Chair 13.09.2016–05.12.2016)</i>	12.09.2016–05.12.2016
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	01.09.2016–13.09.2016
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Patrick Dodson (WA, ALP) <sup>1</sup>	03.03.2017–03.03.2017
Senator Patrick Dodson (WA, ALP) <sup>2</sup>	26.05.2017–26.05.2017
Senator Patrick Dodson (WA, ALP) <sup>3</sup>	02.03.2018–02.03.2018
Senator Patrick Dodson (WA, ALP) <sup>4</sup> <i>(Deputy Chair on 25.05.2018)</i>	25.05.2018–25.05.2018

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Kitching on 3 March 2017

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Kitching on 26 May 2017

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Kitching for the examination of the 2017-18 Additional estimates on Friday, 2 March 2018

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Kitching for the examination of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on Friday, 25 May 2018

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Senator Jonathon Duniam (TAS, LP) <sup>5</sup>	15.11.2017–15.11.2017
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP) <sup>6</sup>	15.11.2017–15.11.2017
Senator Barry O'Sullivan (QLD, NATS) <sup>7</sup>	26.05.2017–26.05.2017

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<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator McKenzie on 15 November 2017

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Smith on 15 November 2017

<sup>7</sup> Replaced Senator McKenzie on 26 May 2017

## Inquiries

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	20.03.2018	Ongoing

## New References

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Additional Estimates 2017–18	08.02.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 83—8 February 2018, p2647)	26–27 February 2018—Canberra 02.03.2018—Canberra	28.03.2018	No
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Amendment (Indigenous Land Corporation) Bill 2018 [Provisions]; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land and Sea Future Fund Bill 2018 [Provisions]; and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land and Sea Future Fund (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	28.03.2018 (SB)	Nil	Progress report presented OOS 01.05.2018; tabled 08.05.2018  Report tabled 08.05.2018	No
Budget Estimates 2018–19	08.05.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 95—8 May 2018, p3033)	21–25 May 2018—Canberra 21.06.2018—Canberra	Nil	Yes

## **Government Responses**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*  
*OOS (Out of session)*

# Finance and Public Administration (References)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 16.02.2017)</i>	15.02.2017
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	08.11.2016
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	13.09.2016
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Amanda Stoker (QLD, LP)	22.03.2018
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 01.09.2016–12.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016–12.09.2016
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, IND) <i>(Deputy Chair 05.12.2016–15.02.2017)</i>	05.12.2016–15.02.2017
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	01.09.2016–08.11.2016
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	05.02.2018–22.03.2018
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.09.2016–05.02.2018
Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 13.09.2016–05.12.2016)</i>	12.09.2016–05.12.2016
Senator Peter Whish-Wilson (TAS, AG)	01.09.2016–13.09.2016
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG) <sup>1</sup>	10.08.2017–16.10.2017
Senator Patrick Dodson (WA, ALP) and Senator Malarndirri McCarthy (NT, ALP) <sup>2</sup>	22.06.2017–14.12.2017
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP) <sup>3</sup>	17.08.2017–17.08.2017

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into the circumstances in which Australians' personal Medicare information has been compromised

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senators Kitching and Singh for the committee's inquiry into the Community Development Program

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Kitching for the committee's inquiry into the arrangements for the postal survey concerning same-sex marriage on 17 August 2017

Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <sup>4</sup>	20.03.2017–09.06.2017
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <sup>5</sup>	16.08.2017–13.02.2018
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <sup>6</sup>	14.09.2017–15.12.2017
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <sup>7</sup>	13.10.2016–28.11.2016
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <sup>8</sup>	23.03.2017–14.12.2017
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP) <sup>9</sup>	28.08.2017–29.08.2017
Senator Jordan Steele-John (WA, AG) <sup>10</sup>	15.02.2018–27.06.2018
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP) <sup>11</sup>	15.09.2016–02.12.2016

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<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability (Location of Corporate Commonwealth Entities) Order 2016

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into the arrangements for the postal survey concerning same-sex marriage

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into the delivery of National Outcome 4 of the National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and Their Children

<sup>7</sup> Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into Commonwealth funding of Indigenous Tasmanians

<sup>8</sup> Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into the Community Development Program

<sup>9</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson for the committee's inquiry into the Community Development Program on 28 and 29 August 2017

<sup>10</sup> Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into the digital delivery of government services

<sup>11</sup> Replaced Senator Singh from 15 September 2016 to 2 December 2016

## **Inquiries**

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Arrangements for the postal survey	14.08.2017	Nil	13.02.2018	No
Digital delivery of government services	16.08.2017	14.03.2018—Sydney 23.03.2018—Canberra 07.05.2018—Canberra	27.06.2018	No

## **New References**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

Nil

## **Government Responses**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Circumstances in which Australians' personal Medicare information has been compromised and make available for sale illegally on the 'dark web'	Presented OOS 21.02.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	16.10.2017
Delivery of National Outcome 4 of the National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and Their Children 2010–2022	Presented OOS 15.03.2018; tabled 19.03.2018	15.12.2017
Arrangements for the postal survey	26.06.2018	13.02.2018

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*





**Foreign Affairs, Defence  
and Trade**

## Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

1 January 2018 - 30 June 2018

	Matters current as at 1 January 2018	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2018
Legislation	0	6	5	1
References	4	2	3 + (2**)	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	0	0:00	6	60:27	12	1:13	0	0:00	18	61:40
References	4	12:43	0	0:00	10	0:38	0	0:00	14	13:21
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12:43</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>60:27</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>1:51</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0:00</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>75:01</b>

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	13	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Witnesses						
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	6	198	0	0	5	0
References	4	0	0	66	241	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>0</b>

\* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; Estimates x 2

\*\*Interim reports

# Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Legislation)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 07.02.2018)</i>	05.02.2018
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Rex Patrick (SA, CA)	15.11.2017
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <i>(Chair 01.09.2016–22.06.2017)</i>	01.09.2016–22.06.2017
Senator Jacqui Lambie (TAS, JLN)	09.08.2017–14.11.2017
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	01.09.2016–14.07.2017
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <i>(Chair 22.06.2017–20.12.2017)</i>	22.06.2017–05.02.2018
<b>Former substitute member</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP) <sup>1</sup> <i>(Deputy Chair on 15.12.2017)</i>	15.12.2017–15.12.2017

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Gallacher for the consideration of the 2017-18 supplementary Budget Estimates on Friday, 15 December 2017

## Inquiries

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	20.03.2018	Ongoing

## New References

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Additional Estimates 2017–18	08.02.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 83—8 February 2018, p2647)	28.02.2018—Canberra 01.03.2018—Canberra	28.03.2018	No
Intelligence Services Amendment (Establishment of the Australian Signals Directorate) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	15.02.2018 (SB)	Nil	21.03.2018	No
Budget Estimates 2018–19	08.05.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 95—8 May 2018, p3033)	29–31 May 2018—Canberra 01.06.2018—Canberra	26.06.2018	No
Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Veteran-centric Reforms No. 2) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	24.05.2018 ( <i>Pursuant to order of the Senate of 9 May 2018</i> )	Nil	18.06.2018	No
Defence Amendment (Sovereign Naval Shipbuilding) Bill 2018	28.06.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

## **Government Responses**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*

# Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (References)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 07.02.2018)</i>	05.02.2018
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.09.2016
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	08.11.2016
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Rex Patrick (SA, CA)	15.11.2017
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 01.09.2016–22.06.2017)</i> <i>(Deputy Chair 12.07.2017–14.07.2017)</i>	01.09.2016–23.06.2017
Senator Sam Dastyari (NSW, ALP)	01.09.2016–08.11.2016
Senator Jacqui Lambie (TAS, JLN)	09.08.2017–14.11.2017
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	01.09.2016–14.07.2017
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS) <i>(Deputy Chair 14.07.2017–20.12.2017)</i>	22.06.2017–05.02.2018
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) <sup>1</sup>	13.10.2016–07.02.2017
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <sup>2</sup>	10.11.2016–14.07.2017
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <sup>3</sup>	07.12.2017–17.05.2018

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreement

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into suicide by veterans and ex-service personnel

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Patrick for the committee's inquiry into the implications of climate change for Australia's national security

## Inquiries

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities	08.02.2017	21.03.2018—Canberra	Fourth interim report tabled 13.02.2018 Final report presented OOS 11.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No
Australia's trade and investment relationships with the countries of Africa	13.06.2017	02.05.2018—Perth 11.05.2018—Canberra	21.06.2018	No
Implications of climate change for Australia's national security	14.06.2017	20.03.2018—Canberra	Progress report presented OOS 17.04.2018; tabled 08.05.2018 Report presented OOS 17.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No
United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)	04.12.2017	Nil	Nil	Yes

## New References

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Proposed Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership	28.03.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes
Use of the Quinoline anti-malarial drugs Mefloquine and Tafenoquine in the Australian Defence Force (ADF)	19.06.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes

## **Government Responses**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*



## **Legal and Constitutional Affairs**

## Legal and Constitutional Affairs

1 January 2018 - 30 June 2018

	Matters current as at 1 January 2018	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2018
Legislation	7	10	8 + 1^	8
References	1	1	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9 + 1^</b>	<b>9</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	5	28:06	6	60:10	14	3:55	0	0:00	25	92:11
References	2	12:29	0	0:00	3	0:12	0	0:00	5	12:41
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>40:35</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>60:10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4:07</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0:00</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>104:52</b>

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	18	5	2	0	0	0	0	0
References	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Witnesses						
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	11	315	84	0	285	2
References	2	0	0	37	6	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>2</b>

\* includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; Estimates x 2

^ 2 inquiries were discharged by one report

# Legal and Constitutional Affairs (Legislation)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 23.10.2017)</i> <i>(Chair 01.09.2016–12.10.2017)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Jane Hume (VIC, LP)	27.03.2017
Senator Nick McKim (TAS, AG)	01.09.2016
Senator Jim Molan (NSW, LP)	05.02.2018
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP) <i>(Chair 12.10.2017–22.10.2017)</i>	01.09.2016–05.02.2018
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP)	01.09.2016–15.02.2017
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	15.02.2017–27.03.2017
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Patrick Dodson (WA, ALP) <sup>1</sup>	16.02.2017–20.03.2017
Senator Barry O'Sullivan (QLD, LP) <sup>2</sup>	12.10.2017–23.10.2017
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <sup>3</sup>	16.02.2017–20.03.2017
Senator Amanda Stoker (QLD, LP) <sup>4</sup>	21.05.2018–21.05.2018
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS) <sup>5</sup>	27.03.2017–29.03.2017

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Watt for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Native Title Amendment (Indigenous Land Use Agreements) Bill 2017

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Macdonald from 12 October to 23 October 2017

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator McKim for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Native Title Amendment (Indigenous Land Use Agreements) Bill 2017

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Hume for the examination of the 2018-19 Budget estimates from 4pm on Monday, 21 May 2018

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Macdonald from 27 March to 6pm on 29 March 2017

## Inquiries

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	20.03.2018	Ongoing
Proceeds of Crime Amendment (Proceeds and Other Matters) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	16.11.2017 (SB)	Nil	07.02.2018	No
Bankruptcy Amendment (Enterprise Incentives) Bill 2017	30.11.2017 (SB)	05.03.2018—Sydney 06.03.2018—Melbourne	21.03.2018	No
Judiciary Amendment (Commonwealth Model Litigant Obligations) Bill 2017	07.12.2017 (SB)	14.06.2018—Sydney	Nil	Yes
Bankruptcy Amendment (Debt Agreement Reform) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	07.12.2017 (SB)	05.03.2018—Sydney 06.03.2018—Melbourne	21.03.2018	No
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Combatting Corporate Crime) Bill 2017	07.12.2017 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 20.04.2018; tabled 08.05.2018	No
Family Law Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2017	07.12.2017 (SB)	22.02.2018—Sydney 23.02.2018—Melbourne	Presented OOS 20.04.2018; tabled 08.05.2018	No
Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017	07.12.2017 (SB)	22.02.2018—Sydney 23.02.2018—Melbourne	26.03.2018	No

## New References

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Additional Estimates 2017–18	08.02.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 83—8 February 2018, p2647)	26–27 February 2018— Canberra	28.03.2018	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Commitments for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2018	15.02.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Migration Amendment (Clarification of Jurisdiction) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	15.02.2018 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 05.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No
Budget Estimates 2018–19	08.05.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 95—8 May 2018, p3033)	21–24 May 2018— Canberra	Nil	Yes
Criminal Code and Other Legislation Amendment (Removing Commonwealth Restrictions on Cannabis) Bill 2018	10.05.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Defence Amendment (Call Out of the Australian Defence Force) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	28.06.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Family Law Amendment (Family Violence and Cross-examination of Parties) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	28.06.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Modern Slavery Bill 2018 [Provisions]	28.06.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Unexplained Wealth Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 [Provisions]	28.06.2018 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

## Government Responses

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Migration and Other Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Integrity) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	20.03.2018	17.10.2017
Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Requirements for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	28.03.2018	05.09.2017

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*

# Legal and Constitutional Affairs (References)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 14.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 14.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)	22.06.2017
Senator Nick McKim (TAS, AG)	01.09.2016
Senator Jim Molan (NSW, LP)	05.02.2018
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Patrick Dodson (WA, ALP)	01.09.2016–22.06.2017
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	15.02.2017–05.02.2018
Senator Linda Reynolds (WA, LP)	01.09.2016–15.02.2017
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) <sup>1</sup>	16.02.2017–21.06.2017
Senator Jordan Steele-John (WA, AG) <sup>2</sup>	08.02.2018–28.03.2018
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS) <sup>3</sup>	27.03.2017–29.03.2017

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator McKim for the committee's inquiry into the Nature and scope of any agreement reached in relation to the distribution of proceeds of the liquidation of and litigation concerning the Bell Group of companies

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator McKim for the committee's inquiry into cyberbullying

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Macdonald from 27 March to 6pm on 29 March 2017

## **Inquiries**

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Adequacy of existing offences in the Commonwealth Criminal Code and of state and territory criminal laws to capture cyberbullying	07.09.2017	09.02.2018—Canberra 07.03.2018—Melbourne	28.03.2018	No

## **New References**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Practice of dowry and the incidence of dowry abuse in Australia	26.06.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes

## **Government Responses**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*



**Rural & Regional Affairs  
and Transport**

## Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

1 January 2018 - 30 June 2018

	Matters current as at 1 January 2018	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2018
Legislation	2	7	7	2
References	4	1	0 + (1**)	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	2	6:00	8	71:30	13	4:12	0	0:00	23	81:42
References	6	21:06	0	0:00	13	5:36	0	0:00	19	26:42
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>27:06</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>71:30</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>9:48</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0:00</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>108:24</b>

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	22	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
References	10	0	0	0	0	2	4	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>

Witnesses						
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Number of Submissions	Government Responses
Legislation	10	205	16	6	86	1
References	6	0	0	73	300	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>4</b>

\* includes referral of Annual Reports x 1; Estimates x 2

\*\* Interim report

# Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport (Legislation)

*1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018*

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Barry O'Sullivan (QLD, NATS) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Slade Brockman (WA, LP)	17.08.2017
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	12.02.2018
Senator Malarndirri McCarthy (NT, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG)	01.09.2016
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	01.09.2016–12.02.2018
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	01.09.2016–22.06.2017
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	22.06.2017–17.08.2017
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP) <sup>1</sup>	22.05.2018–22.05.2018
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <sup>2</sup> <i>(Chair on 22.05.2017)</i>	22.05.2017–22.05.2017
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP) <sup>3</sup>	23.05.2018–23.05.2018
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <sup>4</sup>	26.02.2018–26.02.2018
Senator Anthony Chisholm (QLD, ALP) <sup>5</sup>	22.05.2018–22.05.2018
Senator Anthony Chisholm (QLD, ALP) <sup>6</sup>	23.05.2018–23.05.2018

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Brockman for the examination of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on Tuesday, 22 May 2018

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator O'Sullivan on Monday, 22 May 2017

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Sterle for the examination of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on Wednesday, 23 May 2018

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Colbeck for the examination of the 2017-18 Additional estimates on Monday, 26 February 2018

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Sterle for the examination of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on Tuesday, 22 May 2018

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator McCarthy for the examination of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on Wednesday, 23 May 2018

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Senator Anthony Chisholm (QLD, ALP) <sup>7</sup>	24.05.2018–24.05.2018
Senator the Hon Don Farrell (SA, ALP) <sup>8</sup>	25.05.2018–25.05.2018
Senator the Hon Kristina Keneally (NSW, ALP) <sup>9</sup>	25.05.2018–25.05.2018
Senator Amanda Stoker (QLD, LP) <sup>10</sup>	21.05.2018–21.05.2018

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<sup>7</sup> Replaced Senator Sterle for the examination of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on Thursday, 24 May 2018

<sup>8</sup> Replaced Senator Sterle for the examination of the 2018-19 Budget estimates until midday on Friday, 25 May 2018

<sup>9</sup> Replaced Senator Sterle for the examination of the 2018-19 Budget estimates after midday on Friday, 25 May 2018

<sup>10</sup> Replaced Senator Brockman for the examination of the 2018-19 Budget estimates on Monday, 21 May 2018

## Inquiries

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Annual Reports	Refer to Standing Order 25 (20)	Nil	20.03.2018	Ongoing
Airports Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]	09.02.2017 (SB)	Nil	19.03.2018	No
Performance of Airservices Australia	15.06.2017 (in accordance with Standing Order 25(2)(a))	Nil	Nil	Yes

## New References

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Additional Estimates 2017–18	08.02.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 83—8 February 2018, p2647)	26–27 February 2018—Canberra 02.03.2018—Canberra	28.03.2018	No
Road Vehicle Standards Bill 2018 [Provisions]; Road Vehicle Standards (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018 [Provisions]; Road Vehicle Standards Charges (Imposition–General) Bill 2018 [Provisions]; Road Vehicle Standards Charges (Imposition–Customs) Bill 2018 [Provisions]; and Road Vehicle Standards Charges (Imposition–Excise) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	28.03.2018 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 07.05.2018; tabled 08.05.2018	No

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Air Services Amendment Bill 2018	28.03.2018 (SB)	22.06.2018—Melbourne	Nil	Yes
Budget Estimates 2018–19	08.05.2018 (see <i>Journals of the Senate</i> , No. 95—8 May 2018, p3033)	21–25 May 2018—Canberra	26.06.2018	No
Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Bill 2018 [Provisions]	10.05.2018 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 13.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No
Water Amendment Bill 2018 [Provisions]	10.05.2018 (SB)	Nil	Presented OOS 12.06.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	No

## **Government Responses**

*01.01.2018–30.06.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Amendment Bill 2017 [Provisions]	19.06.2018	04.12.2017

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*

# Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport (References)

1 January 2018 to 30 June 2018

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Barry O'Sullivan (QLD, NATS) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 01.09.2016)</i>	01.09.2016
Senator Slade Brockman (WA, LP)	17.08.2017
Senator Anthony Chisholm (QLD, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Malarndirri McCarthy (NT, ALP)	01.09.2016
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG)	01.09.2016
<b>Substitute members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) <sup>1</sup>	17.08.2017
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) <sup>2</sup>	17.08.2017
Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP) <sup>3</sup>	06.09.2017
Senator Jordan Steele-John (WA, AG) <sup>4</sup>	07.12.2017
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson (TAS, AG) <sup>5</sup>	09.05.2018
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	01.09.2016–22.06.2017
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	22.06.2017–17.08.2017

<sup>1</sup> Replaces Senator McCarthy for the committee's inquiry into the integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin

<sup>2</sup> Replaces Senator Rice for the committee's inquiry into the integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin

<sup>3</sup> Replaces Senator Chisholm for the committee's inquiry into the integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin

<sup>4</sup> Replaces Senator Rice for the committee's inquiry into the regulation of mobility scooters

<sup>5</sup> Replaces Senator Rice for the committee's inquiry into air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities

<b>Former substitute member</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Kim Carr (VIC, ALP) <sup>6</sup>	07.02.2017–18.10.2017

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<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator McCarthy for the committee's inquiry into the state of Australia's rail industry



## Inquiries

*As at 01.01.2018*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Regulatory requirements that impact on the safe use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems, Unmanned Aerial Systems and associated systems	13.10.2016	Nil	Nil	Yes
Integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin	16.08.2017	Nil	Second interim report tabled 22.03.2018	Yes
Operation, regulation and funding of air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities	16.11.2017	03.04.2018—Broome 04.04.2018—Alice Springs 05.04.2018—Darwin 10.04.2018—Longreach 11.04.2018—Winton 12.04.2018—Cloncurry	Nil	Yes
Regulation of mobility scooters	06.12.2017	Nil	Nil	Yes

## New References

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings</b> <i>01.01.2018–30.06.2018</i>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry</b> <i>As at 30.06.2018</i>
Possible regulatory approaches to ensure safety of pet food, including both the domestic manufacture and importation of pet food	20.06.2018	Nil	Nil	Yes

## Government Responses

01.01.2018–30.06.2018

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Response Tabled</b>	<b>Report Tabled</b>
Implications for the long-term sustainable management of the Murray-Darling Basin	Presented OOS 04.04.2018; tabled 08.05.2018	25.06.2009
Biosecurity risks associated with the importation of seafood and seafood products (including uncooked prawns and uncooked prawn meat)	Presented OOS 25.05.2018; tabled 18.06.2018	31.10.2017
Increasing use of so-called Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia	19.06.2018	19.07.2017

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)*

*OOS (Out of session)*