

# **WORK OF COMMITTEES**

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## FORMAT OF THIS REPORT

This report is divided into sections that provide statistics on committee work during the following periods:

- the half year (1 January 2025 to 30 June 2025); and
- the financial year (1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025).

Statistics on these periods are kept in order to record information based on parliamentary terms as well as half, financial and full year periods.

Membership changes for committees are collated across the term of the Parliament.

This report is available online at:

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/woc/index](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/woc/index).

## ABBREVIATIONS

### *Committees*

CA	Community Affairs
CFS	Corporations and Financial Services
EC	Environment and Communications
ECO	Economics
EE	Education and Employment
FADT	Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
FPA	Finance and Public Administration
LCA	Legal and Constitutional Affairs
LE	Law Enforcement
Leg	Legislation Committee
NACC	National Anti-Corruption Commission
NDIS	National Disability Insurance Scheme
Ref	References Committee
RRAT	Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

### *Political Affiliations*

AG	Australian Greens
ALP	Australian Labor Party
AV	Australia's Voice
CLP	Country Liberal Party
GRFP	Gerard Rennick People First
IND	Independent
JLN	Jacqui Lambie Network
LNP	Liberal National Party of Queensland
LP	Liberal Party of Australia
NATS	The Nationals
PHON	Pauline Hanson's One Nation
UAP	United Australia Party

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**Senate Committees Page** [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate)

A **public alert service** (RSS feed) is available. Members of the public can choose, at no charge, to be alerted automatically via the internet, to the tabling of committee reports, the commencement of new inquiries and schedules of hearing dates. Information on how to load the RSS reader is available on the Senate's committee web page.

### **Publications and resources relating to committees\***

Consolidated Register of Senate Committee Reports (1970–2024)  
[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/register](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/register)

Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees: The First 20 Years 1970–1990  
[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Significant\\_Reports/first20years/contents](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Significant_Reports/first20years/contents)

Bills referred to Senate committees  
[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Bills\\_Legislation/Bills\\_and\\_Committees/Bills\\_referred\\_to\\_Senate\\_committees](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Bills_Legislation/Bills_and_Committees/Bills_referred_to_Senate_committees)

Today's Public Hearings (*daily list of committee public hearings held in Canberra or interstate*)  
[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Todays\\_Public\\_Hearings](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Todays_Public_Hearings)

Senate Committees: Upcoming Public Hearings (*list of all forthcoming committee public hearings*)  
[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Upcoming\\_Public\\_Hearings](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Upcoming_Public_Hearings)

Senate Committees: celebrating 50 years (*a website celebrating 50 years of the modern Senate committee system*)  
[Navigate Senate Committees](#)

*\*A selection of reports presented prior to June 1997 and all reports tabled thereafter are available online.*

**Information on getting involved in Senate committee inquiries:**

Making a Submission

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Making\\_a\\_submission](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Making_a_submission)

Attending a public hearing

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Attending\\_a\\_public\\_hearing](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Attending_a_public_hearing)

Protection of witnesses appearing before Senate Committees (Senate Privilege Resolution No. 1 on procedures to be observed by Senate committees for the protection of witnesses)

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Procedures\\_to\\_be\\_observed](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Procedures_to_be_observed)

Government Guidelines for official witnesses before Parliamentary Committees and related matters

[http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Senate\\_Estimates/Guidelines\\_for\\_official\\_witness](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Senate_Estimates/Guidelines_for_official_witness)



## DIRECTORY OF COMMITTEES

<i><b>Committee</b></i>	<i><b>Type</b></i>	<i><b>Administered</b></i>	<i><b>Phone (02)</b></i>
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs	Joint Standing	H	6277 4559
Appropriations, Staffing and Security	Standing	S	6277 3398
Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4888
Chairs'	Standing	S	6277 3371
Community Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3515
Corporations and Financial Services	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3583
Economics*	LGPS	S	6277 3540
Electoral Matters	Joint	H	6277 4104
Education and Employment*	LGPS	S	6277 3521
Environment and Communications*	LGPS	S	6277 3526
Finance and Public Administration*	LGPS	S	6277 3846
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	Joint	H	6277 4574
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade*	LGPS	S	6277 3535
House	Standing	S	6277 3398
Human Rights	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3823
Implementation of the National Redress Scheme	Joint Standing	H	6277 4549
Intelligence and Security	Joint Statutory	H	6277 2360
Law Enforcement	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3419
Legal and Constitutional Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3560
Measuring Outcomes for First Nations Communities	Select	S	6277 3555
Migration	Joint	H	6277 4776
National Anti-Corruption Commission	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3419
National Capital and External Territories	Joint	H	6277 4609
National Disability Insurance Scheme	Joint Standing	S	6277 3083
Northern Australia	Joint Select	S	6277 3547
Parliamentary Library	Joint	DPS	6277 7102
Parliamentary Standards	Joint Statutory	H	6277 8787
PFAS (per and polyfluoroalkyl substances)	Select	S	6277 3247
Privileges	Standing	S	6277 3360
Procedure	Standing	S	6277 3350
Public Accounts and Audit	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4615
Public Works	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4636
Publications	Standing	S	6277 3728
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport*	LGPS	S	6277 3511
Scrutiny of Bills	Legislative	S	6277 3050
	Scrutiny Standing		
Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation	Legislative	S	6277 3066
	Scrutiny Standing		
Selection of Bills	Standing	S	6277 3020
Senators' Interests	Standing	S	6277 3020
Trade and Investment Growth	Joint Standing	H	6277 2233
Treaties	Joint	H	6277 4002

**H** Department of the House of Representatives

**DPS** Department of Parliamentary Services

**LGPS** Legislative and General Purpose Standing

**S** Department of the Senate

**\*** Legislation and References Committees

# COMMITTEES ADMINISTERED BY THE SENATE COMMITTEE OFFICE

## Introduction

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office provided staffing and resources for the following committees:

- Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees;
- Certain Joint Statutory, Joint Standing and Joint Select Committees; and
- Senate Select Committees.

## Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees

The Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees and the relevant portfolio/subject areas allocated to them are as follows:

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Portfolio/subject area</i>
Community Affairs Legislation References	Health and Aged Care Social Services
Economics Legislation References	Industry, Science and Resources Treasury
Education and Employment Legislation References	Education Employment and Workplace Relations
Environment and Communications Legislation References	Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts <i>(Communications, Sport and the Arts functions only)</i>
Finance and Public Administration Legislation References	Finance Parliament Prime Minister and Cabinet (including Indigenous Affairs)
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation References	Defence (including Veterans' Affairs) Foreign Affairs and Trade
Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation References	Attorney-General's Home Affairs
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation References	Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sports and the Arts <i>(Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development functions only)</i>

### **Joint Statutory Committees**

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office administered the following Joint Statutory Committees comprising members of the House of Representatives and Senators:

- Corporations and Financial Services
- Law Enforcement
- National Anti-Corruption Commission.

### **Joint Standing Committees**

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office administered the following Joint Standing Committee comprising members of the House of Representatives and Senators:

- National Disability Insurance Scheme.

### **Joint Select Committees**

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office administered the following Joint Select Committee comprising members of the House of Representatives and Senators:

- Northern Australia.

### **Senate Select Committees**

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office administered the following Select Committees:

- Measuring Outcomes for First Nations Communities
- PFAS (per and polyfluoroalkyl substances).