# **WORK OF COMMITTEES**

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## FORMAT OF THIS REPORT

On 11 April 2019, the Parliament was prorogued, the House of Representatives was dissolved and 18 May 2019 was announced as the date for the general election. The 45<sup>th</sup> Parliament finished on 1 July 2019 and the 46<sup>th</sup> Parliament commenced on the following day. Statistics in this publication begin on 2 July 2019.

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

- the half year (2 July 2019 to 31 December 2019); and
- the calendar year (1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019).

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

This report is available online at:

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\_Business/Committees/Senate/woc/index.

Additional hard copies may be obtained from the Office of the Senior Clerk of Committees, Senate Committee Office. Telephone: (02) 6277 3555.

## **ABBREVIATIONS**

#### **Committees**

ACLEI Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity

Family Law System

CA Community Affairs

CFS Corporations and Financial Services

ECO Economics

EE Education and Employment

Northern Australia agenda Effectiveness of the Australian Government's Northern

Australia agenda

EC Environment and Communications FPA Finance and Public Administration

Technology Financial Technology and Regulatory Technology

FADT Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Jobs for the Future Jobs for the Future in Regional Areas

LE Law Enforcement

LCA Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Management and Execution of Multi-Jurisdictional Management and Execution of the

the MDBP Murray Darling Basin Plan NBN National Broadband Network

NDIS National Disability Insurance Scheme RRAT Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

Stillbirth Research and Education

## **Political Affiliations**

AG Australian Greens ALP Australian Labor Party

CA Centre Alliance

CLP Country Liberal Party

IND Independent

JLN Jacqui Lambie Network LP Liberal Party of Australia

NATS The Nationals

PHON Pauline Hanson's One Nation

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Consolidated Register of Senate Committee Reports (1970–2019) http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary Business/Committees/Senate/register

Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees: The First 20 Years 1970–1990 <a href="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</a>

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

Senate Committees: Upcoming Public Hearings (*list of all forthcoming committee public hearings*) <a href="http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary">http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary</a> <a href="https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary">Business/Committees/Senate/Upcoming</a> <a href="https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary">Public Hearings</a>

<sup>\*</sup>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

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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

Government Guidelines for official witnesses before Parliamentary Committees and related matters <a href="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</a>

# DIRECTORY OF COMMITTEES

Committee	Type	Administered	<b>Phone</b> (02)	Fax (02)
Appropriations, Staffing and Security	Standing	S	6277 3015	6277 5784
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5809
Integrity	•			
Australia's Family Law System	Joint Select	S	6277 3439	6277 5809
Autism	Select	S	6277 3521	6277 5706
Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4888	6277 4204
Chairs'	Standing	S	6277 3371	6277 3199
Community Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3515	6277 5829
Corporations and Financial Services	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3583	6277 5719
Economics*	LGPS	S	6277 3540	6277 5719
Electoral Matters	Joint	H	6277 4579	6277 4773
Education and Employment*	LGPS	S	6277 3521	6277 5706
Effectiveness of the Australian Government's	Select	S	6277 3585	6277 5794
Northern Australia agenda				
Environment and Communications*	LGPS	S	6277 3526	6277 5818
Finance and Public Administration*	LGPS	S	6277 3439	6277 5809
Financial Technology and Regulatory	Select	S	6277 3535	6277 5818
Technology				
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	Joint	H	6277 4629	6277 2221
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade*	LGPS	S	6277 3535	6277 5818
Foreign Interference through Social Media	Select	S	6277 3585	6277 5794
House	Standing	S	6277 3398	6277 3199
Human Rights	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3066	6277 5767
Intelligence and Security	Joint Statutory	H	6277 2360	6277 2067
Law Enforcement	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5809
Legal and Constitutional Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3560	6277 5794
Migration	Joint	H	6277 4560	6277 4844
Multi-Jurisdictional Management and	Select	S	6277 3419	6277 5809
Execution of the Murray Darling Basin Plan				
National Broadband Network	Joint Standing	S	6277 3585	6277 5794
National Capital and External Territories	Joint	Н	6277 2319	6277 4844
National Disability Insurance Scheme	Joint Standing	S	6277 3083	6277 5829
Northern Australia	Joint Standing	Н	6277 4562	6277 4427
Parliamentary Library	Joint	DPS	6277 7102	6277 2403
Privileges	Standing	S	6277 3360	6277 3199
Procedure	Standing	S	6277 3364	6277 3199
Public Accounts and Audit	Joint Statutory	Н	6277 4615	6277 2220
Public Works	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4636	6277 4844
Publications	Standing	S	6277 3037	6277 5784
Road Safety	Joint Select	S	6277 3511	6277 5811
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport*	LGPS	S	6277 3511	6277 5811
Scrutiny of Bills	Legislative	S	6277 3051	6277 5881
	Scrutiny			
	Standing			
Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation	Legislative	S	6277 3066	6277 5881
	Scrutiny			
	Standing			
Selection of Bills	Standing	S	6277 3020	6277 3098
Senators' Interests	Standing	S	6277 3396	6277 3199
Temporary Migration	Select	S	6277 3585	6277 5794
Trade and Investment Growth	Joint Standing	H	6277 4562	6277 4427
Treaties	Joint	Н	6277 4642	6277 2219

H Department of the House of Representatives
DPS Department of Parliamentary Services
LGPS Legislative and General Purpose Standing
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:

Committee	Portfolio/subject area			
Community Affairs Legislation References	Health Human Services Services Australia			
Economics				
Legislation References	Industry, Innovation and Science Treasury			
Education and Employment				
Legislation	Education			
References	Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business			
Environment and Communications				
Legislation	Communications and the Arts			
References	Environment and Energy			
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	Attorney-General's			
References	Home Affairs			
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport	Agriculture			
Legislation	Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional			
References	Development			

### **Joint Statutory Committees**

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

- Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity
- Corporations and Financial Services
- Law Enforcement

## **Joint Standing Committees**

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

- National Broadband Network
- 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:

- Australia's Family Law System
- Road Safety

### **Senate Select Committees**

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

- Autism
- Effectiveness of the Australian Government's Northern Australia agenda
- Financial Technology and Regulatory Technology
- Foreign Interference through Social Media
- Jobs for the Future in Regional Areas
- Multi-Jurisdictional Management and Execution of the Murray Darling Basin Plan
- Temporary Migration