

Other Committees
1 July 2020–31 December 2020

Scrutiny of Bills (Legislative Scrutiny Standing)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24

Current members

Senator Helen Polley (Chair), Senator Dean Smith (Deputy Chair), Senator the Hon Kim Carr, Senator Perin Davey, Senator Janet Rice and Senator Paul Scarr

Former members

Nil

Secretary

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Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises bills and Acts of Parliament and reports to the Senate whether such bills or Acts, by express words or otherwise:

- trespass unduly on personal rights and liberties;
- make rights, liberties or obligations unduly dependent upon insufficiently defined administrative powers;
- make rights, liberties or obligations unduly dependent upon non-reviewable decisions;
- inappropriately delegate legislative powers; or
- insufficiently subject the exercise of legislative power to parliamentary scrutiny.

Scrutiny digests tabled

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

10

Meetings

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private:

11

Briefings:

0

Total:

11

Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation

(formerly *Regulations and Ordinances*¹)

(Legislative Scrutiny Standing)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 23

Current members

Senator the Hon Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (Chair), Senator the Hon Kim Carr (Deputy Chair), Senator Raff Ciccone, Senator Perin Davey, Senator Nita Green and Senator Paul Scarr

Former members

Nil

Secretary

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Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises each legislative instrument subject to disallowance, disapproval or affirmative resolution by the Senate as to whether:

- it is in accordance with its enabling Act and otherwise complies with all legislative requirements;
- it appears to be supported by a constitutional head of legislative power and is otherwise constitutionally valid;
- it makes rights, liberties, obligations or interests unduly dependent on insufficiently defined administrative powers;
- those likely to be affected by the instrument were adequately consulted in relation to it;
- its drafting is defective or unclear;
- it, and any document it incorporates, may be freely accessed and used;
- the accompanying explanatory material provides sufficient information to gain a clear understanding of the instrument;
- it trespasses unduly on personal rights and liberties;
- it unduly excludes, limits or fails to provide for independent review of decisions affecting rights, liberties, obligations or interests;
- it contains matters more appropriate for parliamentary enactment; and
- it complies with any other ground relating to the technical scrutiny of delegated legislation that the committee considers appropriate.

The committee also scrutinises each instrument to determine whether the attention of the Senate should be drawn to the instrument on the ground that it raises significant issues, or otherwise gives rise to issues that are likely to be of interest to the Senate.

¹ *Journals of the Senate*, 27 November 2019, pp 933-35

Reports presented <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	1
Delegated legislation monitors tabled <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	6
Meetings <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	11
No. of instruments scrutinised	538
Notices of motion to disallow	17
Notices withdrawn	12
Notices pending	9

Appropriations, Staffing and Security (Standing)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 19

Current members

The President (Senator the Hon Scott Ryan) (Chair), the Deputy President (Senator Sue Lines) (Deputy Chair), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator the Hon Penny Wong), Senator Raff Ciccone, Senator the Hon Jonathon Duniam, Senator Katy Gallagher, Senator the Hon Anne Ruston and Senator Dean Smith

Former members

Secretary

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Role of the Committee

The Standing Committee on Appropriations, Staffing and Security determines the amounts for inclusion in the parliamentary appropriation bills and reports to the Senate on its determinations prior to the Senate's consideration of those bills. The committee also examines matters affecting the staffing and administration of the Department of the Senate, including proposals to vary the staffing structure, and other matters referred to it by the Senate. It makes an annual report to the Senate on the operations of the Senate's appropriations and staffing and related matters (Standing Order 19(3)). The committee has the explicit capacity to scrutinise security funding and administration and to advise the President and the Senate as appropriate. Under a resolution of the Senate agreed to in 1987 the committee also examines proposed changes in the structure and responsibilities of the parliamentary departments.

Reports presented

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

2

Meetings

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private:

3

Briefings:

0

Total:

3

Chairs' (Standing)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25(10)

Current members

The Deputy President (Senator Sue Lines) (Chair), Senator the Hon Eric Abetz, Senator Wendy Askew, Senator Tim Ayres, Senator Andrew Bragg, Senator Slade Brockman, Senator the Hon Kim Carr, Senator Anthony Chisholm, Senator Raff Ciccone, Senator the Hon David Fawcett, Senator Alex Gallacher, Senator Katy Gallagher, Senator Sarah Hanson-Young, Senator Hollie Hughes, Senator Kimberley Kitching, Senator Jenny McAllister, Senator Susan McDonald, Senator the Hon James McGrath, Senator James Paterson, Senator Louise Pratt, Senator Rachel Siewert, Senator Tony Sheldon, Senator Glenn Sterle, Senator the Hon Amanda Stoker and Senator Murray Watt

Former members

Senator Richard Di Natale, Senator Hollie Hughes, Senator Malarndirri McCarthy, Senator Janet Rice

Secretary

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Meetings

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private:	1
Briefings:	0
Total:	1

House (Standing)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 21

Current members

The President (Senator the Hon Scott Ryan) (Chair), the Deputy President (Senator Sue Lines), Senator Catryna Bilyk, Senator Slade Brockman, Senator Raff Ciccone, Senator Dean Smith and Senator Anne Urquhart

Former members

Nil

Secretary

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Meetings

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private:	0
Briefings:	0
Total:	0

Privileges (Standing)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 18

Current members

Senator Deborah O'Neill (Chair), Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Deputy Chair), Senator Slade Brockman, Senator the Hon Kim Carr, Senator the Hon Don Farrell, Senator the Hon Concetta Fierravanti-Wells, Senator Nick McKim and Senator Dean Smith

Former members

Senator the Hon Arthur Sinodinos

Secretary

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New references <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	1
Reports presented <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	1
Meetings <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Private: 3 Briefings: 2 Total: 5

Procedure (Standing)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 17

Current members

The Deputy President (Senator Sue Lines) (Chair), the President (Senator the Hon Scott Ryan), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator the Hon Penny Wong), Senator Catryna Bilyk, Senator Slade Brockman, Senator the Hon Jonathon Duniam, Senator Katy Gallagher, Senator Rachel Siewert and Senator Dean Smith

Former members

Nil

Secretary

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New references <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	0
Reports presented <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	2
Meetings <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Private: 4 Briefings: 0 Total: 4

Publications (Standing)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22

Current members

Senator Alex Antic (Chair), Senator the Hon Don Farrell, Senator the Hon Sarah Henderson, Senator Sam McMahon, Senator Helen Polley, Senator Gerard Rennick and Senator Jess Walsh

Former members

Senator Dean Smith, Senator Marielle Smith

Secretary

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Public hearings <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Nil	
Reports presented <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Nil	
Presiding officers responses presented	Nil	
Government responses presented	Nil	
Meetings <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Private:	1*
	Public:	0
	Briefings:	0
	Total:	1

* The Publications Committee met once as a Joint Committee with the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Publications.

Selection of Bills (Standing)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24A

Current members

Government Whip (Senator Dean Smith) (Chair), Opposition Whip (Senator Anne Urquhart), Nationals Whip (Senator Perin Davey), Australian Greens Whip (Senator Rachel Siewert), Pauline Hanson's One Nation Whip (Senator Pauline Hanson), Centre Alliance Whip (Senator Stirling Griff), Jacqui Lambie Network Whip (Senator Jacqui Lambie), Senator Raff Ciccone, Senator Katy Gallagher, Senator the Hon James McGrath, Senator Rex Patrick and Senator the Hon Anne Ruston

Former members

Nil

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Reports presented

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

6

Meetings

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private: 6

Briefings: 0

Total: 6

Senators' Interests (Standing)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22A

Current members

Senator Catryna Bilyk (Chair), Senator Raff Ciccone, Senator Sue Lines, Senator Matt O'Sullivan, Senator Dean Smith, Senator Anne Urquhart, Senator David Van and Senator Larissa Waters

Former members

Secretary

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Reports presented

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

0

Meetings

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private:

0

Briefings:

0

Total:

0

Implementation of the National Redress Scheme (Joint Select)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the Senate on 9 September 2019 and amended and agreed to by the House of Representatives on 10 September 2019

Current members

Senator Dean Smith (Chair), Ms Sharon Claydon MP (Deputy Chair), Dr Katie Allen MP, Mr Milton Dick MP, Ms Celia Hammond MP, Senator the Hon Sarah Henderson, Senator Louise Pratt, Mr Dave Sharma MP, Senator Rachel Siewert and Dr Anne Webster MP

Former members

Senator Marielle Smith

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Implementation of the National Redress Scheme	
Reports presented <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Nil	
Government responses <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Nil	
Meetings* <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Private:	6
	Public hearings:	5
	Briefings:	4
	Total:	11

* the sum of individual meetings does not equal the total, as private meetings (including inspections), briefings and public hearings held on the same day are often grouped and counted as a single meeting of the Committee

Electoral Matters (Joint)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 4 July 2019 and agreed to by the Senate on 22 July 2019

Current members

Senator the Hon James McGrath (Chair), Senator Carol Brown (Deputy Chair), Senator Wendy Askew, Senator Anthony Chisholm, Mr Pat Conaghan MP, Mr Milton Dick MP, Mr Tony Pasin MP, Mr James Stevens MP, Ms Kate Thwaites MP and Senator Larissa Waters

Former members

Senator Marielle Smith, Mrs Lucy Wicks MP

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>as at 31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inquiry on the future conduct of elections operating during times of emergency situations• Review of the Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Funding and Disclosure Reform) Act 2018						
Reports presented <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Electoral Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2020• Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Ensuring Fair Representation of the Northern Territory) Bill 2020• Report on the conduct of the 2019 federal election and matters related thereto						
Government responses <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Nil						
Meetings <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<table><tbody><tr><td>Private:</td><td>8</td></tr><tr><td>Public hearings:</td><td>7</td></tr><tr><td>Total:</td><td>15</td></tr></tbody></table>	Private:	8	Public hearings:	7	Total:	15
Private:	8						
Public hearings:	7						
Total:	15						

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Joint)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 4 July 2019 and agreed to by the Senate on 22 July 2019

Current members

Senator the Hon David Fawcett (Chair), Ms Meryl Swanson MP (Deputy Chair), Senator the Hon Eric Abetz, the Hon Kevin Andrews MP, Senator Tim Ayres, Mr Vince Connelly MP, the Hon Damian Drum MP, Senator Mehreen Faruqi, Senator the Hon Concetta Fierravanti-Wells, the Hon Joel Fitzgibbon MP, Mr Patrick Gorman MP, Mr Andrew Hastie MP, Mr Chris Hayes MP, Mr Julian Hill MP, Mr Peter Khalil MP, Senator Kimberley Kitching, Senator Malarndirri McCarthy, Senator Sam McMahon, Senator Jim Molan, Mr Ted O'Brien MP, Senator Deborah O'Neill, Mr Tony Pasin MP, Mr Gavin Pearce MP, Senator Janet Rice, Mr Dave Sharma MP, Senator Tony Sheldon, the Hon Warren Snowdon MP, Mr Phillip Thompson MP, Ms Maria Vamvakinou MP, Mr Ross Vasta MP, Mr Andrew Wallace MP

Former members

Mr Nick Champion MP, the Hon Dr John McVeigh MP, the Hon Keith Pitt MP, Senator the Hon Arthur Sinodinos

Secretary

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Current inquiries

as at 31.12.2020

- Inquiry into Australia activating greater trade and investment with Pacific island countries
- Inquiry into Australia's defence relationships with Pacific island nations
- Inquiry into expanding membership of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership
- Inquiry into strengthening Australia's relationships with countries in the Pacific region
- Inquiry into the human rights of women and girls in the Pacific
- Remediation of PFAS-related impacts ongoing scrutiny and review

Reports presented

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

- Inquiry into targeted sanctions to address human rights abuses
- Inquiry into the implications of the COVID-19 pandemic for Australia's foreign affairs, defence and trade

Government responses

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

- Nil

Meetings* 01.07.2020–31.12.2020	Private: Public Hearings: Briefings: Inspections:	32 30 10 0
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Ms Julia Morris (Human Rights Sub-Committee)		(02) 6277 4629
Mr Andrew Dawson (Trade Sub-Committee)		(02) 6277 4586
Ms Julia Morris (PFAS Sub-Committee)		(02) 6277 4629

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Migration (Joint)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 4 July 2019 and agreed to by the Senate on 22 July 2019

Current members

Mr Julian Leeser MP (Chair), Ms Maria Vamvakinou MP (Deputy Chair), Mr John Alexander MP, Senator Raff Ciccone, the Hon Damian Drum MP, Mr Steve Georganas MP, Senator the Hon Sarah Henderson, Mr Julian Hill MP, Senator Nick McKim and Senator Gerard Rennick

Former members

Dr Fiona Martin MP, Senator Dean Smith, Senator Jess Walsh

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>as at 31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil 	
Reports presented <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interim Report of the Inquiry into the Working Holiday Maker Program • Final Report of the Inquiry into the Working Holiday Maker Program 	
Government responses <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil 	
Meetings* <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Private: Public Hearings: Briefings: Inspections: Total:	8 12 0 0 14

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National Capital and External Territories (Joint)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 4 July 2019 and agreed to by the Senate on 22 July 2019

Current members

Dr Anne Webster MP (Chair), Senator Carol Brown (Deputy Chair), Senator the Hon Kristina Keneally, Senator Sue Lines, Senator Sam McMahon, Mr Llew O'Brien MP, Senator Matt O'Sullivan, Mr Gavin Pearce MP, Mr David Smith MP, the Hon Warren Snowdon MP and Mr James Stevens MP

Former members

Mr Kevin Hogan MP, the Hon Keith Pitt MP

Secretary

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Current inquiries

as at 31.12.2020

- Availability and access to enabling communications infrastructure in Australia's external territories
- Inquiry into economic, social and environmental sustainability in the Indian Ocean Territories
- Review of the National Capital Authority: Biannual Public Briefings

Reports presented

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

- Nil

Government responses

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

- Nil

Meetings*

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private:	7
Briefings:	0
Public:	1
Total:	8

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Northern Australia (Joint)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 4 July 2019 and agreed to by the Senate on 22 July 2019

Current members

The Hon Warren Entsch MP (Chair), Senator Anthony Chisholm (Deputy Chair), Senator the Hon Matthew Canavan, Mr George Christensen MP, Senator Patrick Dodson, Senator Rachel Siewert, Senator Dean Smith, the Hon Warren Snowdon MP, Mr Phillip Thompson MP and Ms Anika Wells MP

Former members

The Hon Joel Fitzgibbon MP, Senator Nita Green, Senator Sam McMahon, Senator Larissa Waters

Secretary

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Current inquiries

as at 31.12.2020

- Inquiry into the destruction of 46,000 year old caves at the Juukan Gorge in the Pilbara region of Western Australia
- Inquiry into the Opportunities and Challenges of the Engagement of Traditional Owners in the Economic Development of Northern Australia

Reports presented

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

- Never Again: Inquiry into the destruction of 46,000 year old caves at the Juukan Gorge in the Pilbara region of Western Australia – Interim Report

Government responses

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

- Northern Horizons – Unleashing Our Tourism Potential

Meetings

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private:	11
Public:	11
Total:	22

Parliamentary Library (Joint)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 4 July 2019 and agreed to by the Senate on 22 July 2019

Current members

Senator Dean Smith (Joint Chair), Ms Anne Stanley MP (Joint Chair), Dr Katie Allen MP, Senator Wendy Askew, Senator Catryna Bilyk, Ms Sharon Claydon MP, Senator Sue Lines, Ms Gladys Liu MP, Senator James Paterson, Mr Gavin Pearce MP, Mr Rowan Ramsey MP and Mr David Smith MP

Former members

The Hon Anthony Byrne MP

Secretary

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Meetings

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private:	1
Public:	0
Total:	1

Trade and Investment Growth (Joint)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 4 July 2019 and agreed to by the Senate on 22 July 2019

Current members

Mr George Christensen MP (Chair), Ms Ged Kearney MP (Deputy Chair), Dr Katie Allen MP, Senator Tim Ayres, Senator Raff Ciccone, Dr Daniel Mulino MP, Mr Rowan Ramsey MP, Senator Gerard Rennick and Senator David Van

Former members

Senator Marielle Smith

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>as at 31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inquiry into Diversifying Australia's Trade and Investment Profile						
Reports presented <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nil						
Government responses <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trade transformation: Supporting Australia's export and investment opportunities						
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Public:	7						
Total*:	14						

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Treaties (Joint)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives on 4 July 2019 and agreed to by the Senate on 22 July 2019

Current members

Mr Dave Sharma MP (Chair), Mr Peter Khalil MP (Deputy Chair), Senator Tim Ayres, Senator Andrew Bragg, Mr Russell Broadbent MP, Senator Slade Brockman, Senator Raff Ciccone, Mr Jason Falinski MP, Ms Nicolle Flint MP, Senator Kimberley Kitching, Senator Gerard Rennick, Senator Jordon Steele-John, Ms Kate Thwaites MP, Mr Josh Wilson MP and Mr Tim Wilson MP

Former members

Senator Catryna Bilyk, the Hon Dr John McVeigh MP, Senator Marielle Smith

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>as at 31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amendments 2020 – CITES; Certain Aspects of the Treaty-making Process in Australia; Certifications-Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway 								
Reports presented <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report 189 – Capital Increase WBG IBRD, Capital Increase WBG IFC, Amendments CMS, Termination IPPA-Indonesia Report 190 – Matters relating to two treaties with Hong Kong Report 191 – IMF NAB, IMF BBA, IMF PRGT Report 192 – Military Training-Singapore, Digital Economy Agreement-Singapore 								
Government responses <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nil 								
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Public:	5								
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Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*

Current members

The Speaker (the Hon Tony Smith MP), the President (Senator the Hon Scott Ryan), the Hon Sharon Bird MP, Mr George Christensen MP, Senator Perin Davey, the Hon Warren Entsch MP, Senator the Hon Don Farrell, Mr Julian Simmonds MP and Ms Susan Templeman MP

Former members

Secretary

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Meetings

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private:	0
Briefings:	0
Total:	0

Human Rights (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011*

Current members

Senator the Hon Sarah Henderson (Chair), Mr Graham Perrett MP (Deputy Chair), Senator Patrick Dodson, Mr Steve Georganas MP, Mr Ian Goodenough MP, Senator Nita Green, Ms Celia Hammond MP, Senator Andrew McLachlan, Senator Lidia Thorpe and Dr Anne Webster MP

Former members

Senator Claire Chandler, Senator Nick McKim, Senator David Van

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Current inquiries <i>as at 31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nil								
Reports presented <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report 8 of 2020 (tabled 1 July 2020)• Report 9 of 2020 (tabled 18 August 2020)• Report 10 of 2020 (tabled 26 August 2020)• Report 11 of 2020 (tabled 24 September 2020)• Report 12 of 2020 (tabled 15 October 2020)• Report 13 of 2020 (tabled 13 November 2020)• Report 14 of 2020 (tabled 26 November 2020)• Report 15 of 2020 (tabled 9 December 2020)• Annual Report 2019 (tabled 26 August 2020)								
Government responses <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nil								
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Public:	0								
Briefings:	0								
Total:	9								

Intelligence and Security (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Intelligence Services Act 2001*

Current members

The Hon Anthony Byrne MP (Deputy Chair), Senator the Hon Eric Abetz, Dr Anne Aly MP, the Hon Mark Dreyfus MP, Senator the Hon David Fawcett, Senator the Hon Kristina Keneally, Mr Julian Leeser MP, Senator Jenny McAllister and Mr Tim Wilson MP

Former members

Mr Andrew Hastie MP, The Hon Dr Mike Kelly MP, Senator Amanda Stoker

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Current inquiries

as at 31.12.2020

Inquiry into extremist movements and radicalism in Australia
Inquiry into national security risks affecting the Australian higher education and research sector
Review of Administration and Expenditure No. 18 (2018-2019) – Australian Intelligence Agencies
Review of Administration and Expenditure No. 19 (2019-2020) – Australian Intelligence Agencies
Review of AFP Powers
Review of Declared Areas Provisions
Review of Part 14 of the *Telecommunications Act 1997* – Telecommunications Sector Security Reforms
Review of the amendments made by the *Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment (Assistance and Access) Act 2018*
Review of the Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (High Risk Terrorist Offenders) Bill 2020
Review of the Intelligence Oversight and Other Legislation Amendment (Integrity Measures) Bill 2020
Review of the Surveillance Legislation Amendment (Identify and Disrupt) Bill 2020
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (International Production Orders) Bill 2020
Review of the Security Legislation Amendment (Critical Infrastructure) Bill 2020 and Statutory Review of the *Security of Critical Infrastructure Act 2018*

<p>Reports presented 01.07.2020–31.12.2020</p>	<p>Review of the Australian Citizenship Amendment (Citizenship Cessation) Bill 2019 Review of the re-listing of Islamic State East Asia as a terrorist organisation under the Criminal Code Review of the listing and re-listing of three organisations as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code Annual Report of Committee Activities 2019-2020 Review of the mandatory data retention regime Advisory Report on the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Amendment Bill 2020 Review of the listing and re-listing of two organisation as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code</p>	
<p>Government responses 01.07.2020–31.12.2020</p>	<p>Inquiry into the impact of the exercise of law enforcement and intelligence powers on the freedom of the press</p>	
<p>Meetings* 01.07.2020–31.12.2020</p>	<p>Private: Public: Classified hearings: Briefings: Inspections:</p>	<p>32 8 1 8 0</p>

** Meetings that include more than one type of activity (e.g. a private meeting followed by a private briefing) are counted as a single meeting of the committee.*

Public Accounts and Audit (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Public Accounts and Audit Committee Act 1951*

Current members

Mrs Lucy Wicks MP (Chair), Mr Julian Hill MP (Deputy Chair), Ms Angie Bell MP, Senator Claire Chandler, Mr Pat Conroy MP, the Hon Dr David Gillespie MP, the Hon Barnaby Joyce MP, Senator Kimberley Kitching, Dr Andrew Leigh MP, Senator Matt O'Sullivan, Senator Rex Patrick, Senator Paul Scarr, Mr Ross Vasta MP, Senator Jess Walsh, Mr Tim Watts MP, Mr Rick Wilson MP

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Current inquiries

as at 31.12.2020

- Review of the *Auditor-General Act 1997*
- Regulatory Activities: Inquiry into Auditor-General's Reports 33, 47, 48 (2019-20) and 5 and 8 (2020-21)
- Governance in the stewardship of public resources: Inquiry into Auditor-General's Reports 11, 31, 39 (2019-20) and 2 and 9 (2020-21)

Reports presented

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

- Report 480.1 Annual Report (2019-20) (presented 19 October 2020)
- Report 482 Review of the Operations of the Parliamentary Budget Office 2019-20 (presented 19 October 2020)
- Report 483 Inquiry into the 2018-19 Defence Major Projects Report and the Future Submarine Project – Transition to Design (presented 7 December 2020)
- Report 484 The Administration of Government Grants (presented 7 December 2020)
- Report 485 Cyber Resilience (presented 9 December 2020)

Documents presented

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

- Statement on the 2020-21 Draft Estimates for the Australian National Audit Office and the Parliamentary Budget Office (6 October 2020)
- Executive Minutes on reports Nos 476, 479 and 480 (Presented 19 October 2020)
- Executive Minutes on reports Nos 452, 475 and 481 (Presented 7 December 2020)

Government responses <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 Partial responses received (Executive minutes) 	
Meetings <i>01.07.2020–31.12.2020</i>	Private: Public: Briefings: Total:	5 4 5 14

Public Works (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

Method of appointment

Pursuant to *Public Works Act 1969*

Current members

Mr Rick Wilson MP (Chair), Mr Tony Zappia MP (Deputy Chair), Ms Lisa Chesters MP, Senator Alex Gallacher, Senator Hollie Hughes, the Hon Barnaby Joyce MP, Senator Susan McDonald, Mr Tony Pasin MP and Mr David Smith MP

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Current inquiries

as at 31.12.2020

- Airservices Australia, Brisbane Air Traffic Services Centre and Control Tower Complex Refurbishment Project
- Airservices Australia, Sydney Airport Tower Refurbishment Project
- Australian War Memorial Development Project
- Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation – Perth Precinct Project

Reports presented

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

- 4/2020: Referrals made April 2020 and June 2020 – presented on 19 August 2020
- 5/2020: Referral made 15 May 2020 – presented on 28 September 2020
- 6/2020: Referrals made September and October 2020 – presented on 7 December 2020

Meetings

01.07.2020–31.12.2020

Private:	11
Public:	6
In-camera:	6
Briefings:	3
Inspections:	8
Total*:	17

* the sum of individual meetings does not equal the total, as private meetings (including inspections), briefings and public hearings held on the same day are often grouped and counted as a single meeting of the Committee