

## **WORK OF COMMITTEES**

**Year Statistics: 1 January 2021–31 December 2021**

**Half-Year Statistics: 1 July 2021–31 December 2021**

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## **FORMAT OF THIS REPORT**

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

- the half year (1 July 2021 to 31 December 2021); and
- the calendar year (1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021).

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:

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## ABBREVIATIONS

### *Committees*

ACLEI	Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity
Family Law	Australia's Family Law System
Technology	Australia as a Technology and Financial Centre
CA	Community Affairs
CFS	Corporations and Financial Services
COVID	COVID-19
ECO	Economics
EE	Education and Employment
EC	Environment and Communications
FPA	Finance and Public Administration
FADT	Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
Foreign Interference	Foreign Interference through Social Media
LE	Law Enforcement
LCA	Legal and Constitutional Affairs
Management and Execution of the MDBP	Multi-Jurisdictional Management and Execution of the Murray Darling Basin Plan
NBN	National Broadband Network
NDIS	National Disability Insurance Scheme
RRAT	Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

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

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Other publications available from the Committee Office\*:

Consolidated Register of Senate Committee Reports (1970–2021)  
[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)

*\*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>Committee</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Administered</i>	<i>Phone (02)</i>	<i>Fax (02)</i>
Appropriations, Staffing and Security	Standing	S	6277 3015	6277 5784
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	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
COVID-19	Select	S	6277 3892	6277 5706
Economics*	LGPS	S	6277 3540	6277 5719
Electoral Matters	Joint	H	6277 4579	6277 4773
Education and Employment*	LGPS	S	6277 3521	6277 5706
Environment and Communications*	LGPS	S	6277 3526	6277 5818
Finance and Public Administration*	LGPS	S	6277 3439	6277 5809
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 3823	6277 5767
Intelligence and Security	Joint Statutory	H	6277 2360	6277 2067
Job Security	Select	S	6277 3439	N/A
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
National Broadband Network	Joint Standing	S	6277 3585	6277 5794
National Capital and External Territories	Joint	H	6277 2319	6277 4844
National Disability Insurance Scheme	Joint Standing	S	6277 3083	6277 5829
National Redress Scheme	Joint Select	H	6277 4549	6277 4844
Northern Australia	Joint Standing	H	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	H	6277 4615	6277 2220
Public Works	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4636	6277 4844
Publications	Standing	S	6277 3037	6277 5784
Road Safety	Joint Select	H	6277 4564	N/A
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
Trade and Investment Growth	Joint Standing	H	6277 4562	6277 4427
Treaties	Joint	H	6277 4642	6277 2219

**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 Social Services
Economics Legislation References	Industry, Science, Energy and Resources ( <i>excluding Energy</i> ) Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications ( <i>Northern Australia only</i> ) Treasury
Education and Employment Legislation References	Education, Skills and Employment ( <i>including Industrial Relations</i> )
Environment and Communications Legislation References	Communications ( <i>part of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications</i> ) Energy ( <i>part of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources</i> ) Environment ( <i>part of Agriculture, Water and the Environment</i> )
Finance and Public Administration Legislation References	Finance Parliament Prime Minister and Cabinet ( <i>including Indigenous Affairs</i> )
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation References	Defence ( <i>including Veterans' Affairs</i> ) Foreign Affairs and Trade
Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation References	Attorney-General's ( <i>excluding Industrial Relations</i> ) Home Affairs
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation References	Agriculture, Water and the Environment ( <i>excluding Environment</i> ) Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications ( <i>excluding Communications and excluding Northern Australia</i> )

### **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

### **Senate Select Committees**

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

- Australia as a Technology and Financial Centre
- Autism
- COVID-19
- Foreign Interference through Social Media
- Job Security
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