



Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Additional Estimates spillover 2023-24
Tuesday, 27 February 2024
Daily summary

The committee met from 6.30pm until 8.18pm.

The following agencies appeared before the committee: Bureau of Meteorology and Australian Institute of Marine Science.

The following matters were discussed:

Bureau of Meteorology (BOM)

- Conduct of senior BOM officials in recent court appearances;
- A request from the minister for departmental advice in relation to BOM's court case;
- Turnover rates of the SES of BOM, and duration of their employment with the agency;
- Accuracy of BOM's weather forecasting— long and short term;
- BOM's progress towards establishing water market data reporting;
- Progress reports for BOM's ROBUST IT project (addressing security and resilience risks) and Australis II (climate extremes alert IT system); and
- Staffing at BOM, staff culture and staff satisfaction.

Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS)

- Work on the refurbishment of the AIMS headquarters in Townsville;
- Timelines and costing in relation to the multiple projects and related funding packages; and
- Goals of AIMS in the near future.