



Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Budget Estimates 2020-21
Wednesday, 21 October 2020
Daily summary

Here is the summary of today's proceedings in the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee estimates hearing.

The committee met from 9.00am until 6.50pm.

The committee called the Attorney-General's Department, including cross portfolio, corporate and other matters; Legal Services and Families Group; Integrity and International Group; and Australian Government Solicitor Group.

Topics discussed by the committee included:

- Commonwealth Integrity Commission;
- Public Interest Claim regarding legal expenses associated with *Palmer v Western Australia* High Court Case;
- funding for community legal centres including Women's Legal Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services;
- Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme including obligations arising under the scheme for former Cabinet Ministers;
- Comprehensive Review of Intelligence Legislation; and
- legal basis for the National Cabinet.

The committee will next meet at 9.00am on Thursday, 22 October 2020 in the Main Committee Room.