



Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
Budget Estimates 2020-21
Friday, 23 October 2020
Daily summary

Here is the summary of today's proceedings in the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee estimates hearing.

The committee met from 9.02am to 2.53pm.

The committee called the cross-portfolio on Indigenous Matters:

- Aboriginal Hostels Limited;
- Indigenous Business Australia;
- Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations;
- National Indigenous Australians Agency; and
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (Department of Health).

Topics discussed by the committee included:

Aboriginal Hostels Limited

- appointment of new Chief Executive Officer;
- Indigenous employees;
- operations during the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- recruitment of SES officers.

Indigenous Business Australia

- Indigenous Home Ownership Program;
- service satisfaction rates;
- Home Builder Program; and
- Indigenous employees.

Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations

- CATSI Act review; and
- Indigenous corporations.

National Indigenous Australians Agency

- funding for Indigenous organisations;
- Community Development Program; and
- grants delivered under the Indigenous Advancement Strategy.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (Department of Health)

- mental health response to the bushfires, the COVID-19 pandemic and suicide prevention;
- Suicide Prevention Program; and
- protecting Indigenous communities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Hearings for Budget Estimates 2020–21 have now concluded.