

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee Supplementary Budget Estimates 2025–26 Tuesday, 4 November 2025 Daily summary

The committee met from 5.07pm until 7.20pm.

The committee called the Department of Parliamentary Services and the Parliamentary Service Commissioner, discussing the following topics:

Department of Parliamentary Services (DPS)

- Investigation into Incentive to Retire payment to former DPS Secretary;
- Risk assessment of access to parliamentary emails by HWLE lawyers and TransPerfect;
- DPS security guard (ACD13/2019) suppression order relating to a Public Interest Disclosure;
- Workplace culture matters and bullying complaints processes;
- Terminations and separations in DPS Information Services Division;
- APS Code of Conduct investigations and statistics for DPS; and
- First Nations staff initiatives and training.

Parliamentary Services Commissioner

APS Code of conduct breaches and reference processes.

The committee will resume its examination of Supplementary Budget Estimates 2025–26 on 1 December 2025.

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