



Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2025–26  
Tuesday, 7 October 2025  
Daily summary

The committee met from 9.00am until 10.14pm.

The committee called the Attorney-General's Department Portfolio and discussed the following topics:

Cross portfolio and General Matters.

- Freedom of Information (FOI) requests;
- Policies regarding non-disclosure agreements; and
- Registers for child sex offenders.

Justice and Communities Group

- Funding for First Nations legal aid organisations under the National Access to Justice Partnership;
- Resourcing for community legal centres;
- Justice Policy Partnership;
- Class action brought on behalf of First Nations people working on outback stations;
- Youth detention;
- One Talk at a Time campaign conducted by the National Office of Child Safety;
- Australian National Audit Office report number 44 of 2024-25 Conduct of Procurements Relating to Two New Child Sexual Abuse-related National Services;
- Response to the Australian Law Reform Commission (ALRC) report *Safe, Informed, Supported: Reforming Justice Responses to Sexual Violence (ALRC Report 143)*;
- Federal Judicial Commission; and
- Copyright laws in relation to artificial intelligence.

Integrity and Security Group

- Brides of Islamic State fighters;
- Return of Australian citizens from Syria;
- Breaches of the lobbying code of conduct;
- Employment of Senator Simon Birmingham at ANZ following resignation from parliament;
- Identity theft management through ID care;
- Islamic revolutionary guard corps attacks and criminal code;
- Government consultation on exposure draft of second tranche of Whistleblower reforms;
- Australia's compliance with human rights convention on the rights of the child;
- Access provided to the United Nations working group inspecting Australian detention centres;
- Australian government recognition of Palestinian state;
- Protections against discrimination of LGBTQI+ individuals in Faith-based organisations;
- Freedom of information (FOI) law reforms;
- Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) listing as a terrorist organisation;

- FOI – generation of requests by bots;
- Inquiry into lobbying in Parliament House Report, May 2024 – overdue government response and reforming the Lobbying Code of Conduct;
- United Nations Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Territories – Australian government response to finding of genocide in Gaza;
- Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme;
- Advice to government regarding the International Court of Justice, Climate Change Advisory Opinion;
- Privacy law reform- children’s privacy reform; and
- Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture and arbitrary detention.

#### National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC)

- Commissioner Brereton's relationship with the Australian Defence Force;
- Public perception of the NACC and their impartiality;
- Management of conflicts of interest;
- Inspector-General of the Australian Defence Force Afghanistan Inquiry Report conducted by Commissioner Brereton;
- Advice given by Commissioner Brereton to the Inspector-General of the Australian Defence Force; and
- Commissioner Brereton's prior associations with Matthew Vesper regarding Mr Vesper's appointment of Expert Counsel.

#### Inspector of the National Anti-Corruption Commission

- Nature and quantity of complaints received.

#### Australian Human Rights Commission

- Categorisation of Israel-Palestine conflict as genocide;
- Memorandums of understanding with other entities;
- Prevalence and impact of sexual harassment;
- Attendance of Human Rights Commissioner at summit for combatting antisemitism;
- The impact of climate change on human rights;
- Government response to combatting antiracism;
- United Nations' ruling of conflict in Gaza as a genocide;
- Giggle vs Tickle case;
- Immigration;
- Sex Discrimination Commissioner's National Press Club address; and
- Tweets made by the Race Discrimination Commissioner.

#### Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions

- Richard Boyle case; and
- Revenge porn using artificial intelligence deepfakes.

### Administrative Review Tribunal

- Resourcing and staffing levels of the tribunal;
- Leave entitlements of tribunal members; and
- Case load of the tribunal.

The committee will resume its examination of Supplementary Budget Estimates 2025–26 with the Home Affairs portfolio at 9:00am on Wednesday, 8 October 2025.

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