

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE & COMMUNICATIONS

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## Innovation builds productivity

Mobile Laser Scanning (MLS) is one of the technology innovations being examined by the Infrastructure and Communications Committee as part of its Inquiry into the role of Smart ICT in the design and planning of infrastructure.

Tomorrow, the Committee will meet with representatives of BCE Surveying (a leader in MLS technology) to discuss the productivity benefits of technological innovation in the design and development of infrastructure.

According to BCE Surveying, the resources required for completing surveys using MLS are significantly less than traditionally required using conventional survey methods.

In their submission, BCE stated "Using traditional methods to survey a one square kilometre site would have taken up to 16 hours; while the MLS can complete the equivalent area in just 2 hours. The savings in time, money and manpower have substantial productivity benefits to all parties involved."

Committee Chairman Jane Prentice MP (Ryan, Qld) said, "The work of organisations like BCE Surveying demonstrates the productivity benefits that can be achieved through using Smart ICT to design, build and manage infrastructure."

"Australia is potentially on the cusp of a major transformation in infrastructure design and development, but it is up to government and industry to ensure this opportunity is not lost," she said.

Details of the hearing are as follows:

**Date**: Friday, 4 September 2015

**Time**: 9:30 am–10:30 am

**Venue**: BCE Surveying, Molloy St, BUNBURY WA

9:30am	BCE Surveying (Submission 26)
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The public hearing will be webcast live at http://www.aph.gov.au/live

Further information on the Inquiry, including the full terms of reference and how to prepare a submission can be obtained from the Committee's website at <a href="www.aph.gov.au/ic">www.aph.gov.au/ic</a> or from the Secretariat on (02) 6277 2352.

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