



ACT Government to talk light rail

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With Canberra's proposed light rail beginning construction soon, the [Standing Committee on Infrastructure, Transport and Cities](#) will hear from representatives of the ACT Government as part of the Committee's [inquiry into the role of transport connectivity on stimulating development and economic activity](#).

"In recent decades, Canberra has been transitioning from a regional city into a major metropolitan centre. Talking with the ACT Government will give us an opportunity to examine how it has sought to manage the transport issues that accompany this transition," Committee Chair John Alexander MP said.

"Given that a major focus of the inquiry will be funding mechanisms for building public infrastructure like light and heavy rail, we will explore the ways in which the ACT Government is seeking to capture the value generated by its light rail project."

The inquiry will examine the likely impact of increased transport connectivity on property values and property-related tax revenues, options for the use of value-capture mechanisms to sustainably fund transport infrastructure, the role of government in establishing sustainable value-capture funding mechanisms, international experiences with capturing the value of high speed rail infrastructure, and the impact of high speed rail on urban and regional development.

Hearing details

Date: Friday, 4 March 2016
Time: 9.00 am–12:30 pm
Venue: Committee Room 2R2, Parliament House, Canberra

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Further background 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 www.aph.gov.au/itc or from the Secretariat on (02) 6277 2352 or itc.reps@aph.gov.au.