



**House of Representatives
Standing Committee on Tax and Revenue**

CPSU weighs into tax disputes inquiry

The dispute resolution process of the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) will come under scrutiny at a public hearing in Canberra tomorrow.

The Community and Public Sector Union (CPSU) will give evidence before the House Standing Committee of Tax and Revenue in support of a submission it made to the Committee's Inquiry into Tax Disputes.

In its submission, the CPSU claimed that the recent reduction of the ATO's workforce had negatively impacted the agency's ability to deliver services such as dispute resolution.

Committee Chair John Alexander MP said that as the largest of three unions representing ATO employees, the CPSU is well positioned to offer the workers' perception of the dispute resolution process.

"We'd like the union to relate the experiences of its members working at the coal-face of the dispute resolution process – particularly in the audit and objections areas of the ATO."

"A better understanding of how these business lines function will help us determine the means by which dispute resolution could be made more efficient, effective and transparent."

"It will assist us to make recommendations that safeguard the fair treatment of taxpayers involved in this process."

**Wednesday, 22 October 2014
Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra**

4.10 pm	Community and Public Sector Union	<i>Submission 13</i>
4.45 pm	<i>Adjournment</i>	

The hearing will be broadcast live at: www.aph.gov.au/live

For media comment: contact Committee Chair, Mr John Alexander OAM MP, on (02) 6277 4804.

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