HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS

Public hearings: Implications of removing refundable franking credits

## Victoria public hearings announced for franking credits inquiry

Chair: Mr Tim Wilson MP

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The House of Representatives Standing Committee on Economics will hold public hearings in Malvern, Brighton, Mount Martha and Torquay, Victoria, for its inquiry into the implications of removing refundable franking credits.

The Chair of the committee, Mr Tim Wilson MP, said 'the committee continues to gather evidence about how the removal of refundable franking credits would affect investors, particularly senior Australians whose financial security could be compromised.'

Mr Wilson said 'the committee has received well over 1000 submissions, including many from retires who are concerned they will be forced on to the aged pension if the ability to claim a refund on their franking credits is removed.'

Mr Wilson said 'These hearings will provide an opportunity for Australians impacted by a change to refundable franking credits to address the committee directly with a three minute statement, and we welcome their contributions and participation'.

## **Public hearing details:**

Malvern, Victoria	10.00am to 11.30am	Tuesday, 19 March 2019	St George's Anglican Church Hall, 296 Glenferrie Road, Malvern, Victoria
Brighton, Victoria	2.00pm to 3:30pm	Tuesday, 19 March 2019	Brighton Town Hall, Corner of Carpenter St and Wilson St, Brighton, Victoria
Mount Martha, Victoria	9.00am to 10.30am	Wednesday, 20 March 2019	New Peninsula Centre, 370 Craigie Rd, Mount Martha, Victoria
Torquay, Victoria	3.00pm to 4.30pm	Wednesday, 20 March 2019	Spring Creek Pavilion, Spring Creek Reserve, Torquay, Victoria

Further public hearings will be announced as the inquiry progresses. The hearings will be webcast <u>live</u> (audio only).

A number of submissions have been received and are available on the committee's webpage at: <a href="https://www.aph.gov.au/economics">www.aph.gov.au/economics</a>. A number of submissions are currently being processed and will be published over the coming months. Submissions can be made online or by emailing <a href="mailto:economics.reps@aph.gov.au">economics.reps@aph.gov.au</a>.

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