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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL MATTERS

Inquiry into and report on all aspects of the conduct of the 2016 Federal Election and matters related thereto

Issue date: 5 December 2017

Public hearing on AEC modernisation

The Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters will hold a public hearing on Wednesday 6 December 2017 as part of its new inquiry into the Australian Electoral Commission's Annual Report 2016-17.

The Committee's third interim report on the conduct of the 2016 federal election, which looked at the issue of AEC modernisation, recommended that the Committee review the progress of the AEC's modernisation program on an ongoing basis.

The Committee has adopted the following focus areas for the inquiry:

- AEC information technology systems.
- AEC temporary workforce challenges.
- Standards for Australian internet voting, electoral cyber security and physical security and voting points.
- Addressing overly prescriptive parts of the Electoral Act and resolving other technical issues.

A public hearing program and other information about the inquiry can be found on the Committee's website at <https://www.aph.gov.au/em>.

Public Hearing Details:

Date: Wednesday, 6 December 2017

Time: 11:00am

Location: Room 1R2 Parliament House, Canberra

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