Community Affairs Legislation Committee

The committee met on Wednesday, 15 February 2012 from 9.02 am to 11.04 pm.

The committee called the:

- department and agencies of the Health and Ageing portfolio, including the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency, the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, the Australian National Preventative Health Agency, the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency, Cancer Australia, Food Standards Australia New Zealand, General Practice Education and Training Ltd, the Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, the Office of the Gene Technology Regulator, the National E-Health Transition Authority, the National Health and Medical Research Council, the National Health Performance Authority, the National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme and the Therapeutic Goods Administration.

Among other issues, the following matters were discussed:

- GP superclinics
- Medicare Locals
- the choice of location for consultations run by the Council of the Ageing on the Productivity Commission report, 'Caring for Older Australians'
- draft Australian dietary guidelines
- delays in the release of revised guidelines on Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder and in the releasing of funding for health services.