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Ms Margaret May MP

Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Standing Committee on Procedures

Dear Ms May,

Chair

Thank you for your letter regarding your inquiry in examining the estimates of expenditure. I believe that by giving powers to the present committees to look at expenditure in their portfolio areas would be a major step forward for the House of Representatives.

I also believe that if we were able to set up a program to look at the implementation of the programs of which the expenditure is spent on, we would be seeing if the outcomes met the objectives. This would give greater transparency and also help us adapt programs that weren't working and allow the general public and groups to have input into the parliamentary process.

Sorry for the shortness of this submission.

Yours\_sincerely,

Dick Adams Federal Member for Lyons

