

JOINT COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

MEDIA ALERT

Issued: 25 June 2013

Chair: Rob Oakeshott MP Deputy Chair: Gai Brodtmann MP

## **Double the scrutiny**

Two public hearings on scrutiny of tax administration and administration of the Australian Public Service will be held in Canberra on 26 June 2013.

The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) commissioner Chris Jordan will be joined by the Auditor-General, the Inspector-General of taxation, and the Commonwealth Ombudsman in a broad-ranging discussion on the present and future of tax administration.

Committee Chair Rob Oakeshott MP said annual hearings with the commissioner and his scrutineers ensures continuous improvement in the field of tax administration.

"Mr Jordan's first appearance before the committee will enable him to outline his strategic vision for the future of the ATO," he said.

Details for the hearing are as follows:

## Date: Wednesday 26 June 2013 Venue: Parliament House, Committee Room 1 R1 Time: 11:15am – 12:00pm

Following this hearing the Joint Committee on Public Accounts and Audit will hold its inaugural public hearing on public sector scrutiny.

This will be attended by the Auditor-General, the Commonwealth Ombudsman, the Information Commissioner and the Freedom of Information Commissioner.

This hearing will provide an opportunity to reflect on the current state of public sector administration and the challenges facing public sector scrutineers.

Details for the hearing are as follows:

## Date: Wednesday 26 June 2013 Venue: Parliament House, Committee Room 1 R1 Time: 12:00am – 12:45pm

Both hearings will be broadcast live from Committee Room 1R1, Parliament House, Canberra from approximately 11:15am via: www.aph.gov.au/live

**For media comment:** please contact the Committee Chair, Rob Oakeshott MP, on telephone (02) 6584 2911

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