

# Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

**PUBLIC HEARING: CANBERRA**  
**Committee Room 2S3, Parliament House**  
**Friday, 8 June 2012**  
**9.30am – 1.00pm**

## PROGRAM

<b>Australian Human Rights Commission Amendment (National Children's Commissioner) Bill 2012</b>	
<b>9.30am – 10.00am</b>	<b>Consortium of Non-Government Organisations (<i>Submission 45</i>)</b> Ms Susan Helyar, Director Services Development, UnitingCare Australia Ms Stella Conroy, Acting Chief Executive Officer, Families Australia
<b>10.00am – 10.30am</b>	<b>Australian Association of Social Workers (<i>Submission 43</i>)</b> Ms Helen Hopper, Company Secretary
<b>10.30am – 10.45am</b>	<i>Break</i>
<b>10.45am – 11.15am</b>	<b>Hotham Mission Asylum Seeker Project (<i>Submission 40</i>)</b> Ms Kimberlea Cooper, Caseworker <b>Asylum Seeker Resource Centre (<i>Submission. 42</i>)</b> Ms Jana Favero, Community Engagement ( <i>via teleconference</i> )
<b>11.15am – 11.45am</b>	<b>Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (<i>Submission 20</i>)</b> Ms Emma Sydenham, Policy and Research Manager ( <i>via teleconference</i> )
<b>11.45am – 12.15pm</b>	<b>Australian Human Rights Commission (<i>Submission 36</i>)</b> The Hon Catherine Branson QC, President ( <i>via teleconference</i> )
<b>12.15pm – 1.00pm</b>	<b>Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) (<i>no submission</i>)</b> Ms Helen Bedford, Branch Manager, Children's Policy Branch <b>Attorney-General's Department (<i>no submission</i>)</b> Mr Matt Hall, Assistant Secretary, Human Rights Policy Branch Ms Tracey Pearce, Acting Principal Legal Officer

*Chair: Senator Trish Crossin; Deputy Chair: Senator Gary Humphries; Secretary: Julie Dennett*