

WORK OF COMMITTEES

Year statistics: 1 January 2004 - 31 December 2004
Half-year statistics: 1 July 2004 - 31 December 2004

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FORMAT OF THIS REPORT

On 31 August 2004, the Parliament was prorogued and a General Election was held on 9 October 2004. The 40th Parliament finished on 15 November 2004 and the 41st Parliament commenced on the following day.

This report is divided into several sections that provide statistics on committee work during the following periods:

- the end of the 40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)
- the beginning of the 41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)
- the half year (1 July 2004 to 31 December 2004); and
- the full year (1 January 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Statistics on these periods are kept in order to record information based on parliamentary terms as well as half, financial and full year periods.

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ABBREVIATIONS

Committees

| | |
|-------|---|
| ACC | Australian Crime Commission |
| CA | Community Affairs |
| ECO | Economics |
| EWRE | Employment, Workplace Relations and Education |
| ECITA | Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts |
| FADT | Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade |
| FPA | Finance and Public Administration |
| FTA | Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America |
| IA | Indigenous Affairs |
| LC | Legal and Constitutional |
| LG | Lindeberg Grievance |
| RRAT | Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport |
| SE | Scrafton Evidence |

Political Affiliations

| | |
|------|---------------------------------|
| AD | Australian Democrats |
| AG | Australian Greens |
| ALP | Australian Labor Party |
| APA | Australian Progressive Alliance |
| CL | Country Labor |
| CLP | Country Liberal Party |
| Ind | Independent |
| LP | Liberal Party of Australia |
| NATS | The Nationals |
| PHON | Pauline Hanson's One Nation |

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Other publications available from the Committee Office:

- Committee Reports*
- Consolidated Register of Senate Committee Reports (1970 – 1998)**
 - Supplements are published at the end of each year
- The First 20 Years (History of Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees 1970 – 1990)
- Business of Committees (Program of committee public hearings held at Parliament House)**
- Public Hearings/Meetings list (list of all public hearings to be held in the following fortnight, published every Friday)**
- Bills to Committees Update (providing details on the progress of legislation through Senate committees)**
- Information pamphlets**-
 - No. 1 Notes to assist in the preparation of submissions to Senate Committee inquiries
 - No. 2 Information for witnesses appearing before Senate Committees (general information and notes to assist with the preparation of oral evidence before Senate committees)
 - No. 3 Protection of witnesses appearing before Senate Committees (Senate Privilege Resolution No. 1 on procedures to be observed by Senate committees for the protection of witnesses)
 - No. 4 Government Guidelines for official witnesses before Parliamentary Committees and related matters (Extract)
- Guidelines for Committee Chairs
- Senate Committees: A Handbook for Senators' Staff

** a selection of reports presented prior to June 1997 and all reports tabled after that date are available on the Internet*

*** available on the Internet*

DIRECTORY OF COMMITTEES

| <i>Committee</i> | <i>Type</i> | <i>Administered</i> | <i>Phone (02)</i> | <i>Fax (02)</i> |
|---|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Administration of Indigenous Affairs | Select | S | 6277 3598 | 6277 5866 |
| Appropriations and Staffing | Standing | S | 6277 3015 | 6277 5784 |
| ASIO, ASIS and DSD | Joint Statutory | H | 6277 4348 | 6277 2067 |
| Australian Crime Commission | Parliamentary | S | 6277 3598 | 6277 5866 |
| | Joint | | | |
| Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings | Joint Statutory | H | 6277 4888 | 6277 4204 |
| Community Affairs* | LGPS | S | 6277 3515 | 6277 5829 |
| Corporations and Financial Services | Parliamentary | S | 6277 3581 | 6277 5719 |
| | Joint | | | |
| Economics* | LGPS | S | 6277 3540 | 6277 5719 |
| Electoral Matters | Joint Standing | H | 6277 4564 | 6277 4710 |
| Employment, Workplace Relations and Education* | LGPS | S | 6277 3521 | 6277 5706 |
| Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts* | LGPS | S | 6277 3526 | 6277 5818 |
| Finance and Public Administration* | LGPS | S | 6277 3531 | 6277 5809 |
| Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade | Joint Standing | H | 6277 4629 | 6277 2221 |
| Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade* | LGPS | S | 6277 3536 | 6277 5818 |
| Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America | Select | S | 6277 3219 | 6277 3830 |
| House | Standing | S | 6277 3398 | 6277 3199 |
| Legal and Constitutional* | LGPS | S | 6277 3594 | 6277 5794 |
| Library | Standing | L | 6277 7102 | 6277 2403 |
| Lindeberg Grievance | Select | S | 6277 3531 | 6277 5809 |
| Migration | Joint Standing | H | 6277 4565 | 6277 8506 |
| National Capital and External Territories | Joint Standing | H | 6277 4348 | 6277 2067 |
| Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund | Joint Statutory | S | 6277 3598 | 6277 5866 |
| Privileges | Standing | S | 6277 3357 | 6277 3199 |
| Procedure | Standing | S | 6277 3364 | 6277 3199 |
| Public Accounts and Audit | Joint Statutory | H | 6277 4615 | 6277 2220 |
| Public Works | Joint Statutory | H | 6277 4636 | 6277 4426 |
| Publications | Standing | S | 6277 3037 | 6277 3448 |
| Regulations and Ordinances | Legislative | S | 6277 3066 | 6277 5838 |
| | Scrutiny | | | |
| Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport* | LGPS | S | 6277 3511 | 6277 5811 |
| Scrafton Evidence | Select | S | 6277 3531 | 6277 5809 |
| Scrutiny of Bills | Legislative | S | 6277 3051 | 6277 5838 |
| | Scrutiny | | | |
| Selection of Bills | Standing | S | 6277 3020 | 6277 3098 |
| Senators' Interests | Standing | S | 6277 3357 | 6277 3199 |
| Treaties | Joint Standing | H | 6277 4002 | 6277 2219 |

Code

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| H | Department of the House of Representatives |
| L | Department of the Parliamentary Library |
| LGPS | Legislative and General Purpose Standing |
| S | Department of the Senate |
| * | Legislation and References Committees |

Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

Introduction

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office provided staffing and resources for the following committees:

- Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees;
- Specific Parliamentary Joint Committees; and
- Senate Select Committees

Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees

As indicated above, each Senate Standing Committee comprises a Legislation Committee and a References Committee. Under Senate Standing Orders, these Committees are re-established at the beginning of each Parliament and “stand ready” to inquire into and report on those matters relevant to their portfolio/subject area. Under Senate Standing Orders, Legislation Committees are established to inquire into and report on Bills, estimates, annual reports and the performance of government departments and agencies. Reference Committees inquire into and report on all other matters, generally broader policy issues.

The Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees and the relevant portfolio/subject areas allocated to them are as follows:

Community Affairs

- Legislation
- References

Health and Ageing

Family and Community Services

Economics

- Legislation
- References

Treasury

Industry, Tourism and Resources

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education

- Legislation
- References

Education, Science and Training

Employment and Workplace Relations

Environment, Communications,
Information Technology and the Arts

- Legislation
- References

Environment and Heritage
Communications and Information Technology
Arts and Sport

Finance and Public Administration

- Legislation
- References

Parliament
Prime Minister and Cabinet
Finance and Administration
Human Services (41st Parliament)

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

- Legislation
- References

Foreign Affairs and Trade
Defence (including Veterans' Affairs)

Legal and Constitutional

- Legislation
- References

Attorney-General
Immigration and Multicultural
and Indigenous Affairs

Rural and Regional Affairs and
Transport

- Legislation
- References

Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
Transport and Regional Services

Parliamentary Joint Committees

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office also administered three Parliamentary Joint Committees comprising members of the House of Representatives and Senators. These are:

- Australian Crime Commission
- Corporations and Financial Services; and
- Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund

Senate Select Committees

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office provided staffing and resources for the following Select Committees:

- Administration of Indigenous Affairs (appointed 16 June 2004; re-appointed 17 November 2004 (41st Parliament)
- Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America (appointed 11 February 2004) (40th Parliament)
- Lindeberg Grievance (appointed 1 April 2004) (40th Parliament)
- Scafton Evidence (appointed 30 August 2004; re-appointed 18 November 2004) (41st Parliament)

PART ONE

**1 July 2004 - 15 November 2004
(end of the 40th Parliament)**

**Legislative and General Purpose
Standing Committees
administered by the
Senate Committee Office**

Community Affairs

Community Affairs

1 July - 15 November

| Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Current inquiries as at 15 November |
|------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Legislation | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| References | 3 | 0 +(2*) | 3 |
| Total | 4 | 1 | 3 |

*Reports that did not discharge a reference

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----|------------------|-----|---------|------|------------|------|----------------|-------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
| Legislation | 1 | 1:05 | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 1:05 |
| References | 1 | 7:20 | 0 | 3 | 0:00 | 0 | 3:30 | 4 | 10:50 |
| Total | 2 | 8:25 | 0 | 3 | 0:00 | 0 | 3:30 | 5 | 11:55 |

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| Meetings By State | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|--|--|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | | |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| References | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Total | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

| | | Witnesses | | | Hansard Pages | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|---|-----------|---|---------------|---------------|---------|----|-----------|---------------|---------|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Televised Hearings | | Estimates | | Other (Bills) | | General | | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions | No Of Pages | Government Responses |
| Legislation | 1 | | 0 | | 0 | | 5 | | 0 | | 19 | 4 | 0 |
| References | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 18 | | 0 | | 109 | 1078 | 0 |
| Total | 1 | | 0 | | 0 | | 23 | | 0 | | 128 | 1082 | 0 |

Community Affairs Legislation

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) (elected Chair-20.12.03) | 20.12.03 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) (elected Deputy Chair 12.2.03) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 3.12.03 |
| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) (Chair-22.8.03 to 19.12.03) | 20.3.03 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 25.3.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 21.6.04 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 29.8.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 30.10.03 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 29.8.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) | 29.8.02 |
| Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 11.3.02 |

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|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 28.8.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 19.8.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 6.3.03 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 5.2.03 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 11.2.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 19.8.02 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 13.2.02-1.7.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Herron (Qld, LP) | 13.2.02-1.7.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 13.2.02-21.8.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Herron (Qld, LP) | 21.8.02-28.8.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | |
| (Deputy Chair: 14.2.02-17.9.02) | 13.2.02-17.9.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 17.9.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 1.7.02-20.3.03 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | |
| (elected Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02-21.8.03 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 28.8.02-3.12.03 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 1.7.02-25.3.04 |

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Senator Paul Calvert* | 14.2.02-20.2.03 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)** | 16.9.02-11.11.02 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)*** | 16.9.02-17.9.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)^ | 18.9.02-19.9.02 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)^ | 19.9.02-19.9.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)^^ | 24.9.02-26.9.02 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)^^^ | 12.11.02-2.12.02 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)++ | 17.9.02-24.10.02 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)^^^^ | 13.11.02-22.11.02 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)^^^^^ | 13.11.02-22.11.02 |

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|--|-------------------|
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)*^ | 18.11.02-21.11.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)*^^ | 6.2.03-13.2.03 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)*^^^ | 22.8.03-19.12.03 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)*^^^^ | 30.10.03-7.11.03 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)# | 11.2.04-20.2.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)## | 17.6.04-21.6.04 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)### | 13.5.04-30.9.04 |

**for Senator Herron till noon on 20 February 2002*

***for Senator Denman for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002*

****for Senator Heffernan for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002 on 17 September 2002 from 4.45pm until conclusion of business on that day*

^for Senator Heffernan for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002 on 19 September 2002

****for Senator Hutchins for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002 on 19 September 2002 from 6.10pm until conclusion of business on that day*

^^for Senator Heffernan for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002 on 24 & 26 September 2002

^^^for Senator Hutchins for Provisions of the Family and Community Services Legislation Amendment (Special Benefits Activity Test) Bill 2002

++for Senator Denman for Research involving embryos and prohibition of Human Cloning Bill 2002 to 24.10.02

~~~~for Senator Denman for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 & 22 November 2002

~~~~for Senator Hutchins for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 & 22 November 2002

**^for Senator Heffernan for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 November 2002*

**^^for Senator Heffernan on 12 & 13 February 2003*

**^^for Senator Knowles from 22 August 2003 to 19 December 2003*

**^^for Senator Heffernan for 2003-04 supplementary Budget estimates on 6.11.03*

#replace Senator Hutchins for the consideration of the 2003-04 additional estimates from 16 February to 20 February 2004

##replace Senator Denman for inquiry into the Family and Community Services and Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Income Streams) Bill 2004

###for inquiry into the provisions of legislation relating to tobacco and tobacco advertising, and reports from the ACCC concerning tobacco

Former participating members

| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
|--|----------------------------|
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator the Hon Rosemary Crowley (SA, ALP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Brenda Gibbs (Qld, ALP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 22.8.02-17.9.02 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 17.9.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 27.8.02-11.11.02 |
| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 16.9.02-11.11.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 27.8.02-11.11.02 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 14.11.02-23.11.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02-19.8.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD) | 13.2.02-27.4.03 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 14.2.02-25.3.04 |

Current inquiry

As at 1 July 2004

- Provisions of the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Preventing Smoking Related Deaths) Bill 2004; the exposure draft of the Tobacco Advertising Prohibition (Film, Internet and Misleading Promotion) Amendment Bill 2004; and the adequacy of the response to date of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) to the orders of the Senate of 24 September 2001, 27 June 2002 and 12 November 2002, which require the ACCC to report to the Senate on various issues concerning tobacco (referred 13 May 2004)

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- Nil

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Preventing Smoking Related Deaths) Bill 2004; the exposure draft of the Tobacco Advertising Prohibition (Film, Internet and Misleading Promotion) Amendment Bill 2004; and the adequacy of the response to date of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) to the orders of the Senate of 24 September 2001, 27 June 2002 and 12 November 2002, which require the ACCC to report to the Senate on various issues concerning tobacco – 12 August 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Tobacco advertising prohibition (presented out of session on 30 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Community Affairs References

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) (elected Chair- 29.3.04) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) (elected Deputy Chair- 20.12.03) | 20.12.03 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) (Deputy Chair- 17.9.03 to 19.12.03) | 20.3.03 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) (Chair- 1.7.02 to 29.3.04) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 1.7.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)** | 24.6.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)*** | 24.6.04 |

***replace Senator Lees for inquiry into Aged Care*

****replace Senator Moore for inquiry into Aged Care*

Participating members

Date of appointment

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| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |

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| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 24.6.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 6.3.03 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 24.6.04 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 5.2.03 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 11.2.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 19.8.02 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Senator the Hon Rosemary Crowley (SA, ALP) (elected Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Brenda Gibbs (Qld, ALP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 1.7.02-20.3.03 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) (elected Deputy Chair- 14.2.02) | 13.2.02-21.8.03 |

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Senator Sue West (NSW, ALP)* | 21.3.02-28.3.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)** | 20.8.03-19.12.03 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)*** | 6.3.03-30.8.04 |

**replace Senator Gibbs from 21 March 2002 to 28 March 2002*

***replace Senator Knowles from 22 August 2003 to 19 December 2003*

****replace Senator Lees for inquiry into children in institutional care*

Former participating members

Term of appointment

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | 11.3.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Sue West (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |

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|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 17.9.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02-19.8.02 |
| Senator Sue Knowles (WA, LP) | 20.8.03-19.8.02 |

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- Annual Ombudsman Report on the operations of the social security breaches and penalties system (referred 16 October 2002)
- Children in institutional care (referred 4 March 2003)
- Aged Care standards (referred 23 June 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 15 November 2004

- Annual Ombudsman Report on the operations of the social security breaches and penalties system (referred 16 October 2002)
- Children in institutional care (referred 4 March 2003)
- Aged Care standards (referred 23 June 2004)

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Aged Care standards – 19 August 2004, Sydney

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Forgotten Australians: A report on Australians who experienced institutional or out-of-home care as children – First Report (tabled 30 August 2004)
- Interim report – Inquiry into aged care (presented out of session on 30 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Economics

Economics

1 July - 15 November

| | Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Current inquiries as at 15 November |
|-------------|------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Legislation | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|------|---------|------|------------|------|----------------|
| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Hrs | Total Meetings |
| Legislation | 4 | 17:55 | 0 | 0:00 | 5 | 1:01 | 0 | 0:00 | 9 |
| References | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:01 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 |
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| Meetings By State | | | | | | | | | |
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| | ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | |
| Legislation | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| References | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Total | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

| Witnesses | | | | | | | Hansard Pages | | | |
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| Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions | No Of Pages | Government Responses | |
| Legislation | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 57 | 0 | 47 | 379 | 0 | |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Total | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 57 | 0 | 47 | 379 | 0 | |

Economics Legislation

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|---------|
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) (elected Chair - 14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) (elected Deputy Chair – 26.6.03) | 24.6.03 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 1.7.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)+ | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)++ | 11.2.04 |

+replace Senator Murray for matters relating to Resources portfolio

++replace Senator Webber for matters relating to tourism

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 22.3.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 23.10.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Peter Cook (WA, ALP) | 20.6.02 |
| Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |

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| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 11.5.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 21.10.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 23.10.02 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 6.3.03 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) | 24.6.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 11.3.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 25.11.03 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Senator the Hon Chris Schacht (SA, ALP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair - 14.2.02) | 13.2.02-24.6.03 |

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)** | 14.2.02-22.2.02 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)*** | 11.3.02-8.4.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)**** | 19.3.02-20.3.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)***** | 16.5.02-6.6.02 |
| Senator Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)***** | 16.5.02-1.6.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)# | 19.6.02-26.6.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)## | 27.6.02-27.8.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)### | 18.11.02-22.11.02 |

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| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)^ | 6.3.03-24.3.03 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)^^ | 6.3.03-16.6.03 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)^^^ | 26.6.03-9.8.03 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)^^^^ | 13.8.03-10.9.03 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)^^^^^ | 18.9.03-5.12.03 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)+ | 4.12.03-1.3.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)++ | 4.3.04-22.3.04 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)+++ | 11.3.04-23.3.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)*# | 11.2.04-12.5.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)*## | 1.4.04-13.5.04 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP)**# | 13.5.04-21.6.04 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)**## | 17.6.04-21.6.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)*### | 24.6.04-30.8.04 |

***replace Senator Chapman from 5.30pm on 21 February 02 and 22 February 02*

****replace Senator Chapman till 8 April 02*

*****replace Senator Murray on Taxation Laws Amendment (Superannuation) Bill (No.1) 2002 and Income Tax (Superannuation Payments Withholding Tax) Bill 2002 inquiry*

******replace Senator Chapman on 6 June 2002*

******replace Senator Chapman from 3 to 5 June 2002 and 7 June 2002 (if required)*

#replace Senator Murray on Diesel Fuel Rebate Scheme Amendment Bill 2002 inquiry

##replace Senator Murray for the Space Activities Amendment Bill 2002 inquiry

###replace Senator Chapman for 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21 and 22 November 2002

^replace Senator Murray on inquiry into the provisions of the Energy Grants (Credits) Scheme Bill 2003 and a related bill

^replace Senator Murray on inquiry into the provisions of the Designs Bill 2002 and a related bill

^^replace Senator Brandis from 30 June to 8 August 2003

^^^replace Senator Murray on inquiry into the ACIS Bill 2003l

^^^^replace Senator Murray on inquiry into the Provisions of the Taxation Laws Amendment (Superannuation Contributions Splitting) Bill 2003

+replace Senator Murray for inquiry into the provisions of the Superannuation Safety Amendment Bill 2003

++replace Senator Murray for inquiry into the Provisions of the Textile, Clothing and Footwear Strategic Investment Program Amendment Bill 2004

+++replace Senator Murray for inquiry into the Provisions of the Greater Sunrise Unitisation Agreement Implementation Bill 2004 and a related Bill

**#replace Senator Murray for inquiry into the Provisions of the Treasury Legislation Amendment (Professional Standards) Bill 2003*

###replace Senator Murray for inquiry into the Provisions of the Tourism Australia Bill 2004

***#replace Senator Chapman for consideration of 2004-05 budget estimates from 31 May to 4 June 2004 inclusive*

****#replace Senator Murray for inquiry into the Superannuation Budget Measures Bill 2004 and two related bills*

*****#replace Senator Murray for inquiry into Textile Clothing Bill*

Former participating members

Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)

Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)

Term of appointment

14.2.02-30.6.02

14.11.02-23.11.02

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Regulations 2004 (No.2) (referred 16 June 2004)
- Provisions of the Textile, Clothing and Footwear Strategic Investment Program Amendment (Post-2005 scheme) Bill 2004 and the Customs Tariff Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Post-2005 Arrangements) Bill 2004 (referred 23 June 2004)

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- Nil

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Tax Laws Amendment (Wine Producer Rebate and Other Measures) Bill 2004 (referred 4 August 2004)

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Regulations 2004 (No.2) – 26 July 2004, Melbourne; 9 August 2004, Canberra
- Provisions of the Textile, Clothing and Footwear Strategic Investment Program Amendment (Post-2005 scheme) Bill 2004 and the Customs Tariff Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Post-2005 Arrangements) Bill 2004 – 3 August 2004, Canberra
- Provisions of the Tax Laws Amendment (Wine Producer Rebate and Other Measures) Bill 2004 – 9 August 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Tax Laws Amendment (Wine Producer Rebate and Other Measures) Bill 2004 (tabled 11 August 2004)
- Textile, Clothing and Footwear Strategic Investment Program Amendment (Post-2005 scheme) Bill 2004 and the Customs Tariff Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Post-2005 Arrangements) Bill 2004 (tabled 30 August 2004)
- Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Regulations 2004 (No.2) (tabled 30 August 2004)
- Report on annual reports (No.2) of 2004 (presented out of session on 1 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Economics References

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) (elected Chair – 26.6.03) | 24.6.03 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) (elected Deputy Chair - 20.2.02) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 1.3.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)* | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)** | 11.2.04 |

**replace Senator Ridgeway for matters relating to Resources portfolio*

***replace Senator Webber for matters relating to tourism*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 1.3.04 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |

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| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 11.5.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 21.10.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 23.10.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |

Former members

| | |
|---|----------------------------|
| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
| Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator the Hon Peter Cook (WA, ALP) | 13.2.02-19.8.02 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 19.8.02-5.2.03 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) (elected Chair - 20.2.02) | 13.2.02-24.6.03 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 5.2.03-10.9.03 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 10.9.03-1.3.04 |

Former substitute members

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)* | 26.6.03-9.8.03 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)** | 24.11.03-1.3.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)*** | 15.9.03-25.6.04 |

**replace Senator Brandis from 30 June to 8 August 2003*

***replace Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into Whether the Trade Practices Act 1974 adequately protects small business*

****replace Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into the structure and distributive effects of the Australian taxation system*

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)
Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)
Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP)

11.3.02-30.6.02
23.10.02-10.9.03
25.11.03-1.3.04

Current inquiry

As at 1 July 2004

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- Nil

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education

1 July - 15 November

| | Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Current inquiries as at 15 November |
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| Legislation | 2 | 2 | 2 +(2*) | 2 |
| References | 5 | 0 | 2 +(4*) | 3 |
| Total | 7 | 2 | 4 | 5 |

*Reports that did not discharge a reference

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
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| Meetings By State | | | | | | | | | |
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| | ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | |
| Legislation | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| References | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | |
| Total | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | |

| | Witnesses | | | | Hansard Pages | | | | | |
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| | Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions | No Of Pages | Government Responses |
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| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 53 | 0 | 19 | 404 | 0 |
| References | 1 | 0 | 0 | 62 | 0 | 0 | 454 | 72 | 1096 | 0 |
| Total | 1 | 0 | 11 | 62 | 0 | 53 | 454 | 91 | 1500 | 0 |

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Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

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|--|---------|
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) (elected Chair - 14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair - 14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 19.3.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 13.2.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)* | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)** | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*** | 27.8.02 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)**** | 13.2.02 |

**replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Workplace Relations portfolio*

***replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Schools portfolio*

****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Training portfolio*

*****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Employment portfolio*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|---------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 26.6.03 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 23.3.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 20.3.03 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 1.4.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |

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| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 11.5.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 24.6.03 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 19.8.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 16.5.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 23.10.02 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 11.2.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 11.11.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 19.8.02 |

Former members

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 13.2.02-19.3.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |

Former substitute members

| | |
|---|----------------------------|
| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)^ | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)*** | 13.2.02-27.8.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)^^ | 14.2.02-20.2.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)^^^ | 14.2.02-21.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Herron (Qld, LP)^^^^ | 14.2.02-22.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)^^^^^ | 16.5.02-5.6.02 |
| Senator Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)^^^^^^ | 16.5.02-7.6.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)# | 19.6.02-21.6.02 |
| Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)## | 19.6.02-21.6.02 |

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| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)#### | 24.6.02-18.9.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)*^ | 27.6.02-22.8.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)**^ | 27.6.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP)**** | 15.5.02-4.6.03 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)***** | 1.4.04-16.4.04 |

^replace Senator Brandis for matters relating to Employment and Workplace Relations portfolio

***replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Training portfolio*

^replace Senator Crane on 20 February 2002

^^replace Senator Brandis on 21 February 2002

^^^replace Senator Brandis on 22 February 2002

^^^^replace Senator Barnett on 5 June 2002

^^^^^replace Senator Barnett on 6 June 2002 and 7 June 2002 (if required)

#replace Senator Barnett for 2002-03 Budget estimates on 21 June 2002

##replace Senator Ferris for 2002-03 Budget estimates on 21 June 2002

###replace Senator Murray on the Workplace Relations Amendment (Paid Maternity Leave) Bill 2002 inquiry

**^replace Senator G Campbell for the Higher Education Funding Bill 2002 inquiry*

***^replace Senator Carr for Workplace Relations Amendment Bill 2002 inquiry*

****replace Senator Johnston for 2003-04 Budget estimates from 2 June to 4 June 2003*

*****replace Senator Carr on 15 and 16 April 2004*

Former participating members

| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | 11.3.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Brenda Gibbs (Qld, ALP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 14.11.02-22.11.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02-19.8.02 |

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- Provisions of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting Small Business Employment) Bill 2004 (referred 16 June 2004)
- Proposed amendment to Workplace Relations Amendment (Codifying Contempt Offences) Bill 2003 (referred 26 June 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting Small Business Employment) Bill 2004 (referred 16 June 2004)
- Proposed amendment to Workplace Relations Amendment (Codifying Contempt Offences) Bill 2003 (referred 26 June 2004)

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Higher Education Legislation Amendment Bill (No.3) 2004 (referred 11 August 2004)

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Higher Education Legislation Amendment Bill (No.3) 2004 – 19 August 2004, Melbourne

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Higher Education Legislation Amendment Bill (No.3) 2004 (presented out of session on 31 August 2004; tabled 16 November 2004) [and a Supplementary Report by the Australian Democrats (presented out of session on 2 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)]
- Report on annual reports (No.2) of 2004 (presented out of session on 1 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)
- Interim report – Provisions of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting Small Business Employment) Bill 2004 (presented out of session on 14 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)
- Interim report – Inquiry into proposed Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Codifying Contempt Offences) Bill 2003 (presented out of session on 27 October 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) (elected Chair - 14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) (elected Deputy Chair - 14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 19.3.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 13.2.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)* | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)** | 13.2.02 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)*** | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)**** | 27.8.02 |

**replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Workplace Relations portfolio*

***replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Schools portfolio*

****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Employment portfolio*

*****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Training portfolio*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|---------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 26.6.03 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 23.3.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |

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| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 11.5.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 24.6.03 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) | 27.8.02 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 19.8.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 16.5.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 10.2.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 19.3.03 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 25.6.03 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 11.2.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 11.11.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 19.8.02 |

Former members

Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)

Term of appointment

13.2.02-19.3.02

Former substitute members

Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)*

Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)***

Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP)*****

Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP)^

Term of appointment

13.2.02-27.8.02

27.6.02-18.11.02

21.3.02-6.2.03

13.8.03-24.11.03

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|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP)^ | 16.10.03-21.6.04 |
| Senator the Hon Peter Cook (WA, ALP)^ | 16.10.03-21.6.04 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP)# | 29.10.03-21.6.04 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP)## | 13.5.04-3.8.04 |

**replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to Training portfolio*

****replace Senator Cherry for small business employment hearings in Western Australia and Melbourne*

*****replace Senator Carr for small business employment inquiry*

^replace Senator Tierney for inquiry into labour market skills

^replace Senator Carr for inquiry into Draft Building and Construction Industry Improvement Bill 2003

^^replace Senator Crossin for inquiry into Draft Building and Construction Industry Improvement Bill 2003

#replace Senator Barnett for inquiry into the exposure draft of the Building and Construction Industry Improvement Bill 2003

##replace Senator Tierney for inquiry into the Office of the Chief Scientist

Former participating members

Term of appointment

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | 11.3.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator the Hon Rosemary Crowley (SA, ALP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02-19.8.02 |

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- The progress and future direction of life-long learning (referred 11 March 2004)
- Impediments to indigenous employment and measures to improve vocational training and employment outcomes for indigenous people (referred 11 March 2004)
- Living costs of students enrolled in full-time and part-time courses (referred 11 March 2004)
- Office of the Chief Scientist (referred 22 May 2004)
- Commonwealth schools funding package (referred 13 May 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 15 November 2004

- The progress and future direction of life-long learning (referred 11 March 2004)
- Impediments to indigenous employment and measures to improve vocational training and employment outcomes for indigenous people (referred 11 March 2004)
- Living costs of students enrolled in full-time and part-time courses (referred 11 March 2004)

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Office of the Chief Scientist – 2 July 2004, Canberra
- Commonwealth schools funding package – 12 July 2004, Perth; 21 July 2004, Brisbane; 26 July 2004, Sydney; 27 & 28 July 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Office of the Chief Scientist – Interim Report (presented out of session on 30 July 2004; tabled 3 August 2004)
- Office of the Chief Scientist (tabled 3 August 2004)
- Commonwealth Funding for Schools (tabled 11 August 2004)
- Interim report – Inquiry into the progress and future direction of life-long learning (presented out of session on 20 October 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)
- Interim report – Inquiry into Indigenous training and employment outcomes (presented out of session on 20 October 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)
- Interim report – Inquiry into student income support (presented out of session on 20 October 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

**Environment, Communications,
Information Technology
and the Arts**

Environment, Communication, Information Technology and the Arts

1 July - 15 November

| | Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Current inquiries as at 15 November |
|-------------|------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Legislation | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| References | 4 | 0 | 2 +(1*) | 2 |
| Total | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |

*Report that did not discharge a reference

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Hrs | Total Meetings |
| Legislation | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:09 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 |
| References | 3 | 4:32 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 | 0:13 | 0 | 0:00 | 5 |
| Total | 3 | 4:32 | 0 | 0:00 | 3 | 0:22 | 0 | 0:00 | 6 |
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| Meetings By State | | | | | | | | | |
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| | ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | |
| Legislation | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| References | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Total | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

| Witnesses | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions | No Of Pages |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 3 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 98 | 16 | 77 |
| Total | 3 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 98 | 16 | 77 |
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Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

| | <i>Date of appointment</i> |
|---|----------------------------|
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) (elected Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 11.5.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.02 |

Substitute members

| | <i>Date of appointment</i> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)* | 11.5.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)** | 11.5.04 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)*** | 11.5.04 |

**replace Senator Allison for Information Technology portfolio*

***replace Senator Allison for the Arts portfolio*

****replace Senator Allison for the Communications portfolio*

Participating members

| | <i>Date of appointment</i> |
|--|----------------------------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |

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| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 16.9.02 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 24.6.03 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 21.8.03 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 26.8.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 11.2.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 15.5.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 1.7.02 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 1.7.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 13.2.02-11.5.04 |

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Senator Vicki Bourne (NSW, AD)* | 22.3.02-19.6.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP)** | 15.5.02-19.6.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*** | 15.10.02-2.12.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)**** | 21.10.02-2.12.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)***** | 23.10.02-2.12.02 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)^ | 21.8.03-5.9.03 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP)^ | 23.6.03-26.11.03 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)^ | 21.8.03-28.10.03 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)^ | 21.8.03-28.10.03 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)* | 16.9.02-27.10.03 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)* | 13.2.02-11.5.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)* | 18.11.02-11.5.04 |

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)*^^^ | 13.8.03-11.5.04 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)*^^^ | 12.2.04-16.2.04 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)# | 13.5.04-25.5.04 |

**replace Senator Bartlett for the provisions of the Broadcasting Services*

Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill 2002 inquiry

***replace Senator Calvert for the provisions of the Broadcasting Services Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill 2002 inquiry*

****replace Senator Bartlett for the provisions of the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Bill 2002 and provisions of the Telecommunications Competition Bill 2002*

*****replace Senator Lundy for the provisions of the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Bill 2002*

******replace Senator Tierney for the provisions of the Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Bill 2002*

^replace Senator Tchen on 5 September 2003 for inquiry into Communications Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2003

^^replace Senator Mackay for the inquiry into Plastic Bag Levy (Assessment and Collection) Bill 2992 (No.2) and the Plastic Bag (Minimisation of Usage) Education Fund Bill 2002 (No.2)

^^^replace Senator Bartlett for inquiry into Provisions of the Fuel Quality Standards Amendment Bill 2003

^^^^replace Senator Mackay for inquiry into Provisions of the Fuel Quality Standards Amendment Bill 2003

**^replace Senator Santoro for inquiry into Provisions of the Telstra (Transition to Full Private Ownership) Bill 2003*

***replace Senator Bartlett for Information Technology portfolio*

^^replace Senator Bartlett for the Arts portfolio

^^^replace Senator Bartlett for the Communications portfolio

^^^^replace Senator Santoro for the consideration of the 2003-04 additional estimates on 16 February 2004 from 6pm

#replace Senator Tchen for consideration of 2004-05 budget estimates on 25 May 2004 from 7.30pm

Former participating members

| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
|--|----------------------------|
| Senator Vicki Bourne (NSW, AD) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)* | 18.11.02-13.8.03 |

Current inquiry

As at 1 July 2004

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- Nil

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Report on annual reports (No.2) of 2004 (presented out of session on 1 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References

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Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) (elected Chair-27.3.03) | 27.3.03 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) (elected Deputy Chair-19.9.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 1.7.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 27.3.03 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 21.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |

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| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 24.6.03 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 6.12.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 26.8.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 11.2.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 5.2.03 |

Former members

| | |
|--|----------------------------|
| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) (elected Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02-27.3.03 |

Former substitute members

| | |
|--|----------------------------|
| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS)* | 15.10.02-18.10.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)** | 20.6.02-14.10.03 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP)*** | 26.8.02-14.10.03 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)**** | 16.9.02-14.10.03 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)# | 6.2.03-16.10.03 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)## | 6.12.02-5.8.04 |

**replace Senator Scullion for inquiry into environmental performance at the Ranger, Jabiluka, Beverley and Honeymoon uranium operations on 18.10.02*

***replace Senator Mackay for inquiry into Ranger, Jabiluka, Beverley and Honeymoon uranium operations*

****replace Senator Lundy for inquiry into Ranger, Jabiluka, Beverley and Honeymoon uranium operations*

*****replace Senator Tierney for inquiry into environmental performance at the Ranger, Jabiluka, Beverley and Honeymoon uranium operations and as Deputy Chair*

#replace Senator Wong for inquiry into the role of libraries as providers of public information in the online environment

##replace Senator Wong for inquiry into Australian telecommunications network

Former participating members

Term of appointment

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | 11.3.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02-19.8.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 19.8.02-14.10.03 |

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- Australian telecommunications network (referred 25 June 2002)
- Broadband competition (referred 26 June 2003)
- Invasive species (referred 26 June 2003)
- Budgetary and environmental implications of the Government's Energy White Paper (referred 24 June 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 15 November 2004

- Invasive species (referred 26 June 2003)
- Budgetary and environmental implications of the Government's Energy White Paper (referred 24 June 2004)

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Budgetary and environmental implications of the Government's Energy White Paper – 4, 5 & 10 August 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- The Australian Telecommunications Network (tabled 5 August 2004)
- Competition in broadband services (tabled 10 August 2004)
- Interim Report - Budgetary and environmental implications of the Government's Energy White Paper (presented out of session on 2 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Libraries in the online environment (presented out of session on 7 July 2004; tabled 3 August 2004; report tabled 16 October 2003)

Finance and Public Administration

Finance and Public Administration

1 July - 15 November

| Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Current inquiries as at 15 November |
|------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Legislation | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| References | 3 | 0 + (1*) | 3 |
| Total | 4 | 1 | 4 |

*Report that did not discharge a reference

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----|------------------|------|---------|------|------------|------|----------------|-------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:25 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:25 | 1 | 0:25 |

| Meetings By State | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|--|--|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | | |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| References | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Total | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

| Witnesses | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|---------------|---------|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions | No Of Pages | Government Responses |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 119 | 0 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 119 | 0 |

Finance and Public Administration Legislation

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) (elected Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 1.7.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 13.5.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 11.5.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 21.10.02 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 13.5.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 14.3.02 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 2.12.03 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 15.5.02 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |

Former members

| | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | <i>Term of appointment</i> 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
|---------------------------------|---|

Former substitute members

| | |
|---|---|
| Senator the Hon John Herron (Qld, LP)* | <i>Term of appointment</i> 16.5.02-16.5.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP)** | 18.11.02-21.11.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP)*** | 13.5.04-15.6.04 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)**** | 13.5.04-15.6.04 |

**replace Senator Brandis from 3.30pm till 6.00pm on 16 May 2002*

***replace Senator Heffernan for the consideration of the 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 20.11.02*

****replace Senator Faulkner for inquiry into the provisions of the Parliamentary Superannuation Bill 2004 and related bill*

*****replace Senator Murray for inquiry into the provisions of the Parliamentary Superannuation Bill 2004 and related bill*

Former participating members

| | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | <i>Term of appointment</i> 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
|--------------------------------|---|

Current inquiry

As at 1 July 2004

- Portfolio Budget Statements (referred 21 November 1996; readopted 2 December 1998) (readopted 21 March 2002)

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- Portfolio Budget Statements (referred 21 November 1996; readopted 2 December 1998) (readopted 21 March 2002)

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Report on annual reports (No.2) of 2004 (presented out of session on 1 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Finance and Public Administration References

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|---------|
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) (elected Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 1.3.04 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 25.6.03 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 13.2.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)* | 24.6.04 |
|---------------------------------|---------|

**replace Senator Ridgeway for the inquiry into Government advertising*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 11.5.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 21.10.02 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 19.8.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 2.12.03 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 24.6.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 1.3.04 |

Former members

| | |
|---|----------------------------|
| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
| Senator the Hon Chris Schacht (SA, ALP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 1.7.02-25.6.03 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 1.7.02-1.3.04 |

Former substitute members

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)* | 21.3.02-6.3.03 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)** | 27.3.03-26.6.03 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)*** | 27.3.03-26.6.03 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)**** | 6.3.03-18.9.03 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)^ | 26.6.03-16.10.03 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP)^^ | 12.8.03-16.10.03 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)^^^ | 21.8.03-16.10.03 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)# | 19.6.03-4.12.03 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)## | 23.6.03-4.12.03 |

^replace Senator Ridgeway for the inquiry into Staff employed under the Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984

^^replace Senator Wong for the inquiry into Staff employed under the Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984

^^^for Senator Heffernan on 2 and 3 September 2003 on the MOPS inquiry

**replace Senator Ridgeway recruitment and training in the Australian Public Service inquiry*

***replace Senator Marshall for the funding of the Dairy Regional Assistance Program inquiry*

****replace Senator Ridgeway for the funding of the Dairy Regional Assistance Program inquiry*

*****replace Senator Ridgeway on the recruitment and training in the Australian Public Service inquiry*

#replace Senator Ridgeway for committees' inquiry into administrative review within the area of veteran and military compensation and income support

##replace Senator Wong for committees' inquiry into administrative review within the area of veteran and military compensation and income support

Former participating members

| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | 11.3.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02-19.8.02 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 27.3.03-26.6.03 |

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- Tabling of indexed lists of files of departments and agencies (referred 21 August 1996 pursuant to the order of 30 May 1996; readopted 1 December 1998) (readopted 21 March 2002)
- Second year of operation of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts (ordered 18 June 2003)
- Government advertising (referred 23 June 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 15 November 2004

- Tabling of indexed lists of files of departments and agencies (referred 21 August 1996 pursuant to the order of 30 May 1996; readopted 1 December 1998) (readopted 21 March 2002)
- Second year of operation of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts (ordered 18 June 2003)
- Government advertising (referred 23 June 2004)

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Interim Report - Government advertising and Accountability (presented out of session on 3 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

**Foreign Affairs, Defence
and Trade**

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

1 July - 15 November

| Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Current inquiries as at 15 November |
|------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Legislation | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| References | 4 | 2+(1*) | 2 |
| Total | 4 | 3 | 2 |

*Report that did not discharge a reference

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----|------------------|------|---------|------|------------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Total Meetings |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 | 0:10 | 0 | 2 |
| References | 5 | 0 | 0:00 | 7 | 3:40 | 2 | 14 |
| Total | 5 | 0 | 0:00 | 9 | 3:50 | 2 | 16 |
| | | | | | | | Total Hours |
| | | | | | | | 0:10 |
| | | | | | | | 22:34 |
| | | | | | | | 22:44 |

| Meetings By State | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Witnesses | | | | | | Hansard Pages | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions | No Of Pages | Government Responses |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| References | 5 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 276 | 36 | 992 | 1 |
| Total | 5 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 276 | 36 | 992 | 2 |

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NATS) (elected Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 25.3.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 1.7.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 25.6.03 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 7.10.03 |
| Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 11.5.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 19.8.02 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) | 27.8.02 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 21.10.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 19.8.02 |

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 16.9.02 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 22.8.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Senator Vicki Bourne (NSW, AD) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02-19.8.02 |
| Senator the Hon Peter Cook (WA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-20.8.02) | 19.8.02-25.3.04 |

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS)* | 14.2.02-22.2.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP)*** | 18.11.02-21.11.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS)**** | 18.11.02-22.11.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)# | 18.11.02-22.11.02 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP)## | 18.11.02-22.11.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)### | 19.11.02-22.11.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)#### | 19.11.02-22.11.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS)^ | 6.2.03-14.2.03 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP)^^ | 6.2.03-14.2.03 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS)^^^ | 15.5.03-6.6.03 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)*^ | 21.8.03-11.9.03 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)*^^ | 23.6.03-18.9.03 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)*^^^ | 19.6.03-18.9.03 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)*^^^ | 16.6.03-18.9.03 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)*# | 4.12.03-22.3.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS)*## | 12.2.04-20.2.04 |
| Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)*### | 12.2.04-20.2.04 |

**to replace Senator Sandy Macdonald on 22.2.02*

****replace Senator Ferguson for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 21.11.02*

*****replace Senator S Macdonald for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02*

#replace Senator Ferguson for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02
##replace Senator Payne for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02
###replace Senator Ferguson for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02
####replace Senator Evans for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02
^replace Senator Sandy Macdonald on 14 February 2003
^replace Senator Ferguson from 5.00pm on 13 February 2003 and 14 February 2003
^^replace Senator Payne for 2003-04 Budget estimates on 6 June 2003
*^replace Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into Provisions of the Non-Proliferation Legislation Amendment Bill 2003
*^^replace Senator Wong for the Administrative review within the area of veteran and military compensation and income support
*^^^replace Senator Ridgeway for the Administrative review within the area of veteran and military compensation and income support
*^^^replace Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into the off-setting arrangements between the Veterans' Entitlements Act and the Military Compensation Scheme
*#replace Senator Cook for inquiry into the provisions of the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Bill 2003 and a related bill
*##replace Senator Sandy Macdonald for the consideration of the 2003-04 additional estimates on 20 February 2004
*###replace Senator Ferguson for the consideration of the 2003-04 additional estimates on 20 February 2004

Former participating members

Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP)
Senator Jim McKiernan (WA, ALP)
Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP)
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)

Term of appointment

14.2.02-30.6.02
14.2.02-30.6.02
14.11.02-23.11.02
14.2.02-25.3.04

Current inquiry

As at 1 July 2004

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- Nil

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Report on annual reports (No.2) of 2004 (presented out of session on 1 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Aspects of the *Veterans' entitlements Act 1986* and the Military Compensation Scheme (tabled 12 August 2004, report tabled 18 September 2003)

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|---------|
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) (elected Chair- 25.3.04) | 24.3.04 |
| Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NATS) (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 1.7.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)* | 30.10.03 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP)** | 24.11.03 |

**for Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into the effectiveness of the Australian military justice system*

***for Senator Marshall for inquiry into the effectiveness of the Australian military justice system*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 10.2.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 25.6.03 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 19.6.03 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) | 5.2.03 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 10.9.03 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 11.5.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 14.8.03 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 26.3.03 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 21.10.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 16.9.02 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 22.8.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |

Former members

| | |
|---|----------------------------|
| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
| Senator Vicki Bourne (NSW, AD) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Sue West (NSW, ALP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 1.7.02-19.8.02 |
| Senator the Hon Peter Cook (WA, ALP) (elected Chair-20.8.02) | 19.8.02-24.3.04 |

Former substitute members

| | |
|--|----------------------------|
| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)* | 29.8.02-27.3.03 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)** | 25.3.03 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)*** | 19.6.03 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)**** | 23.6.03 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP)^ | 27.11.03 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP)^^ | 27.11.03 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)^^^ | 11.4.04 |

**replace Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into materiel acquisition and management in Defence*

***for Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into the performance of government agencies in the assessment and dissemination of security threats in South East Asia in the period 11 September 2001 to 12 October 2002*

****for Senator Ridgeway for the Current health preparation arrangements for the deployment of Australian Defence Forces overseas inquiry*

****for Senator Marshall for the Current health preparation arrangements for the deployment of Australian Defence Forces overseas inquiry

^for Senator Cook on 28 November 2003 for inquiry into the performance of government agencies in the assessment and dissemination of security threats in South East Asia in the period 11 September 2001 to 12 October 2002

^^for Senator Hogg on 28 November 2003 for inquiry into the performance of government agencies in the assessment and dissemination of security threats in South East Asia in the period 11 September 2001 to 12 October 2002

^^^for Senator Sandy Macdonald for inquiry into the effectiveness of the Australian military justice system on 28 and 29 April 2004

Former participating members

| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | 11.3.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Jim McKiernan (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 1.7.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02-1.7.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02-19.8.02 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02-28.3.03 |

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- The performance of government agencies in the assessment and dissemination of security threats in South East Asia in the period 11 September 2001 to 12 October 2002 (referred 24 March 2003)
- Report by the Director of Trials of the Review of Test and Evaluation in Defence (referred 14 May 2003)
- Current health preparation arrangements for the deployment of Australian Defence Forces overseas (referred 19 June 2003)
- The effectiveness of the Australian military justice system (referred 30 October 2003)

Current inquiries

As at 15 November 2004

- Report by the Director of Trials of the Review of Test and Evaluation in Defence (referred 14 May 2003)
- The effectiveness of the Australian military justice system (referred 30 October 2003)

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- The effectiveness of the Australian military justice system – 2, 5, 6 & 10 August 2004, Canberra
- Security threats to Australians in South East Asia – 5 August 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Taking stock: Current health preparation arrangements for the deployment of Australian Defence Forces overseas (tabled 12 August 2004)
- Bali 2002: Security threats to Australians in South East Asia (tabled 12 August 2004)
- Interim report – Effectiveness of Australia's military justice system (presented out of session on 8 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Examination of the Government's foreign and trade policy strategy: The (Not quite) White Paper (presented out of session on 20 July 2004; tabled 3 August 2004; report tabled 4 December 2003)

Legal and Constitutional

Legal and Constitutional

1 July - 15 November

| | Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Current inquiries as at 15 November |
|-------------|------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Legislation | 5 | 3 | 8 | 0 |
| References | 2 | 0 | 1+(1*) | 1 |
| Total | 7 | 3 | 9 | 1 |

*Report that did not discharge a reference

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------|------------------|------|---------|------|----------------|
| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Total Meetings |
| Legislation | 5 | 14:08 | 0 | 0:00 | 10 | 7:33 | 15 |
| References | 5 | 12:20 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 | 0:16 | 7 |
| Total | 10 | 26:28 | 0 | 0:00 | 12 | 7:49 | 22 |
| | | | | | | | Total Hours |
| | | | | | | | 21:41 |
| | | | | | | | 12:36 |
| | | | | | | | 34:17 |

| Meetings By State | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|
| | ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | QLD |
| Legislation | 13 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 18 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Witnesses | | | | | | Hansard Pages | | |
|-------------|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|---------------|---------|----------------------|
| | Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions |
| Legislation | 3 | 0 | 49 | 0 | 0 | 187 | 0 | 155 |
| References | 3 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 222 | 13 |
| Total | 6 | 0 | 49 | 35 | 0 | 187 | 222 | 168 |
| | | | | | | | | No Of Pages |
| | | | | | | | | 676 |
| | | | | | | | | 152 |
| | | | | | | | | 828 |
| | | | | | | | | Government Responses |
| | | | | | | | | 0 |
| | | | | | | | | 0 |
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Legal and Constitutional Legislation

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|---------|
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) (elected Chair-14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-29.8.02) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 1.3.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP) | 13.2.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)* | 27.8.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)** | 11.2.04 |

**replace Senator Greig for the Indigenous Affairs portfolio*

***replace Senator Ludwig for matters relating to indigenous affairs*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 21.6.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 16.10.03 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 23.6.04 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 24.6.03 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 1.7.02 |

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 19.8.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 15.5.02 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 27.8.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 27.8.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |

Former members

Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)

Term of appointment

1.7.02-1.3.04

Former substitute members

Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)*

Term of appointment

13.2.02-27.8.02

**replace Senator Greig for the Indigenous Affairs portfolio*

Former participating members

Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)

Term of appointment

14.2.02-19.8.02

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- Provisions of the Family Law Amendment Bill 2004 (referred 16 June 2004)
- Provisions of the National Security Information (Criminal Proceedings) Bill 2004 and the National Security Information (Criminal Proceedings (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2004 (referred 16 June 2004)
- Provisions of the Telecommunications (Interception) Amendment (Stored Communications) Bill 2004 (referred 16 June 2004)
- Provisions of the Anti-terrorism Bill (No.2) 2004 (referred 23 June 2004)
- Marriage Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 (referred 23 June 2004)

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- Nil

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Telecommunications Offences and Other Measures) Bill (No.2) 2004 (referred 5 August 2004)
- Provisions of the Criminal Code Amendment (Suicide Related Material Offences) Bill 2004 (referred 5 August 2004)

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Family Law Amendment Bill 2004 – 1 July 2004, Canberra
- Provisions of the Telecommunications (Interception) Amendment (Stored Communications) Bill 2004 – 1 July 2004, Canberra
- Provisions of the National Security Information (Criminal Proceedings) Bill 2004 and the National Security Information (Criminal Proceedings (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2004 – 5 July 2004, Sydney
- Provisions of the Anti-terrorism Bill (No.2) 2004 – 26 July 2004, Sydney
- Provisions of the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Telecommunications Offences and Other Measures) Bill (No.2) 2004 – 9 August 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Telecommunications (Interception) Amendment (Stored Communications) Bill 200 (presented out of session on 22 July 2004; tabled 3 August 2004)
- Provisions of the Family Law Amendment Bill 2004 (presented out of session on 30 July 2004; tabled 3 August 2004)
- Provisions of the Anti-terrorism Bill (No.2) 2004 (presented out of session on 6 August 2004; tabled 9 August 2004)
- Provisions of the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Telecommunications Offences and Other Measures) Bill (No.2) 2004 (tabled 11 August 2004)
- Provisions of the National Security Information (Criminal Proceedings) Bill 2004 and the National Security Information (Criminal Proceedings (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2004 (presented out of session on 19 August 2004, tabled 30 August 2004)
- Report on annual reports (No.2) of 2004 (presented out of session on 1 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

- Marriage Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 (presented out of session on 6 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)
- Provisions of the Criminal Code Amendment (Suicide Related Material Offences) Bill 2004 (presented out of session on 6 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Legal and Constitutional References

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) (elected Chair-1.7.02) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) (elected Deputy Chair-14.2.02) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 1.3.04 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP) | 14.2.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)* | 27.8.02 |
|----------------------------------|---------|

**replace Senator Greig for Indigenous Affairs portfolio*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 21.6.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 16.10.03 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |

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|--|---------|
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 24.6.03 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 4.12.03 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 27.8.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 15.6.04 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 27.8.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |

Former members

Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL)

Term of appointment

1.7.02-4.12.03

Former substitute members

Senator Meg Lees (SA, AD)*

Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)**

Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)***

Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD)****

Term of appointment

13.2.02-27.8.02

5.2.03-9.10.03

11.9.03-3.3.04

26.6.03-31.8.04

**replace Senator Greig for Indigenous Affairs portfolio*

***replace Senator Stephens inquiry into Progress towards national reconciliation*

****replace Senator Greig for the inquiry into the State Elections (One Vote, One Value) Bill 2001 [2002]*

*****replace Senator Greig for the inquiry into establishment of an Australian Republic with an Australian Head of State*

Former participating members

Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP)

Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP)

Term of appointment

11.3.02-19.8.02

1.7.02-4.12.03

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- Establishment of an Australian Republic with an Australian Head of State (referred 26 June 2003)
- The needs of expatriate Australians (referred 16 October 2003)

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- The needs of expatriate Australians (referred 16 October 2003)

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- The needs of expatriate Australians – 27 July 2004, Sydney; 28 July 2004, Melbourne; 29 July 2004, Canberra; 4 August 2004, Canberra
- Establishment of an Australian Republic with an Australian Head of State – 29 July 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- The road to a republic (presented out of session on 31 August 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)
- Interim report - Inquiry into Australian expatriates (presented out of session on 31 August 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

**Rural and Regional Affairs
and Transport**

Rural And Regional Affairs and Transport

1 July - 15 November

| | Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Current inquiries as at 15 November |
|-------------|------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Legislation | 5 | 3 | 5 | 3 |
| References | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Total | 7 | 3 | 7 | 3 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|------------------|------|---------|-------|------------|------|----------------|-------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
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| 2 | 10:53 | 0 | 0:00 | 7 | 8:59 | 0 | 0:00 | 9 | 19:52 |
| 3 | 14:52 | 0 | 0:00 | 12 | 11:34 | 0 | 0:00 | 15 | 26:26 |

| Meetings By State | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|--|--|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | | |
| 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

| Witnesses | | | | | | | Hansard Pages | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|---------------|---------|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|--|
| Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions | No Of Pages | Government Responses | |
| 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 5 | 15 | 0 | |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 169 | 5 | 57 | 0 | |
| 2 | 0 | 7 | 25 | 0 | 31 | 169 | 10 | 72 | 0 | |

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|---------|
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) (elected Chair-3.7.02) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair - 14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 25.3.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) [was Chair from 20.6.02 to 24.6.02] | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 13.2.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP)^^^ | 3.3.04 |
|-----------------------------------|--------|

^^^replace Senator Buckland for inquiry into the administration of Biosecurity Australia and the revised draft import risk analysis for bananas

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 5.8.04 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 27.10.03 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 16.10.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NATS) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 19.3.03 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 15.5.02 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 16.6.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 13.2.02-25.3.02 |
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | |
| (elected Chair - 14.2.02) | 13.2.02-19.6.02 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 19.6.02-24.6.02 |
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | |
| (elected Chair - 24.6.02) | 24.6.02-30.6.02 |

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)* | 14.2.02-19.2.02 |
| Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)** | 13.3.02-22.3.02 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP)*** | 18.11.02-20.11.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP)**** | 18.11.02-22.11.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP)# | 18.11.02-22.11.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS)## | 6.2.03-14.2.03 |
| Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NATS)^ | 21.8.03-12.2.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS)^^ | 12.2.04-16.2.04 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)^^^ | 11.3.04-21.6.04 |

*replace Senator Crane on 18 and 19 February 2002

**replace Senator Ferris from 19 March 2002 till close of business on 22 March 2002

***replace Senator Heffernan for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 20.11.02

****replace Senator Heffernan for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02

#replace Senator Colbeck for the consideration of 2002-03 supplementary budget estimates on 22.11.02

##replace Senator Colbeck on 14 February 2003

^replace Senator Colbeck for inquiry on Australian Wool Innovation – Expenditure of Funds under Statutory Funding Agreement

^replace Senator Colbeck for the consideration of the 2003-04 additional estimates on 16 February 2004

^^replace Senator Cherry for inquiry into the Provisions of the Civil Aviation Legislation Amendment (Mutual Recognition with New Zealand and Other Matters) Bill 2003

Former participating members

| | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
|--|----------------------------|
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | 19.6.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Jim McKiernan (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 25.6.02-3.7.02 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 14.2.02-19.8.02 |

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- Administration of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (adopted 22 October 1999; re-adopted 13 March 2002)
- Administration of AuSAR in relation to the search for the Margaret J (referred 25 June 2001) (re-adopted 13 March 2002)
- The administration of the Australian Transport Safety Bureau in relation to the crash of Whyalla Airlines aircraft VH-MZK (adopted 25 November 2003)
- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for bananas (adopted 2 March 2004)
- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for apples (adopted 2 March 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 15 November 2004

- The administration of the Australian Transport Safety Bureau in relation to the crash of Whyalla Airlines aircraft VH-MZK (adopted 25 November 2003)
- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for bananas (adopted 2 March 2004)
- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for apples (adopted 2 March 2004)

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2004 (referred 4 August 2004)
- Provisions of the National Animal Welfare Bill 2003 and related matters (referred 9 August 2004)

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Provisions of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2004 – 11 August 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Administration of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority – Interim Report (tabled 5 August 2004)
- Administration of AusSAR in relation to the search for the *Margaret J* (tabled 12 August 2004)
- Report on annual reports (No.2) of 2004 [includes the final report on the administration of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority] (presented out of session on 1 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)
- Provisions of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2004 (presented out of session on 2 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)
- Provisions of the National Animal Welfare Bill 2003 (Disposed of reference in an Interim Report) (presented out of session on 8 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|---------|
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) (elected Chair - 14.2.02) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) (elected Deputy Chair – 1.7.02) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 1.7.02 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 1.7.02 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 19.8.02 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 13.3.02 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 27.8.02 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 13.2.02 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 14.5.02 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 21.10.02 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 9.9.03 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NATS) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 12.3.02 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 11.3.02 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 16.6.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Senator Winston Crane (WA, LP) | |
| (elected Deputy Chair - 14.2.02) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 13.2.02-30.6.02 |

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)* | 13.3.02-22.3.02 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)** | 26.9.02-11.10.02 |
| Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)*** | 18.11.02- |
| 29.11.02 | |
| Senator Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP)**** | 26.6.03-2.9.04 |

*replace Senator Ferris from 19 March 2002 till close of business on 22 March 2002

**replace Senator Heffernan for Forestry Plantations inquiry on 11 October 2002

***replace Senator Heffernan for the inquiry into forestry plantations on 29.11.02

****replace Senator Heffernan for the inquiry into forestry plantations

Former participating members

Term of appointment

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA) (NATS from 11.10.03) | 11.3.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Jim McKiernan (WA, ALP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 13.2.02-18.11.02 |

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- Plantations for Australia: The 2020 Vision Strategy (referred 27 June 2002)
- Rural water resource usage (referred 21 October 2002)

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- Nil

New references

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Rural water resource usage – 14 July 2004, Canberra; 15 July 2004, Sydney

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Rural water resource usage (tabled 12 August 2004)
- A review of *Plantations for Australia: The 2020 Vision Strategy* (presented out of session on 2 September 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Joint Parliamentary Committees

Australian Crime Commission

Australian Crime Commission

1 July - 31 August

| Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Inquiries ceased as at 31 August |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Joint Statutory | 1 | 0 | 1 |

*Report that did not discharge a reference

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
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| Meetings By State | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | QLD |
| Joint Statutory | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Witnesses | | | | | Hansard Pages | | |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|---------------|---------|-------------------|
| Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions |
| Joint Statutory | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Government Responses | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| No Of Pages | No of Submissions | Government Responses |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |

Parliamentary Joint Committee on the Australian Crime Commission

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 31 August 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to The Australian Crime Commission Act 2002 (effective from 1 January 2003)

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|---------|
| The Hon Bruce Baird (Cook, NSW, LP) (elected Chair-21.3.02) | 21.3.02 |
| Mr Bob Sercombe (Maribyrnong, Vic, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-21.3.02) | 21.3.02 |
| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 21.3.02 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA) (NATS from 11.10.03) | 14.2.02 |
| Mr Peter Dutton (Dickson, Qld, LP) | 21.3.02 |
| The Hon Duncan Kerr, MP (Denison, Tas, ALP) | 21.3.02 |
| Mr Cameron Thompson (Blair, Qld, LP) | 21.3.02 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 14.2.02-21.3.02 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|

Current inquiry

As at 1 July 2004

- Performance of statutory duties (continuing)

Current inquiry ceased

As at 31 August 2004

- Performance of statutory duties

New references

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Examination of the Annual Report for 2002-03 of the National Crime Authority and the Australian Crime Commission (presented out of session on 31 August 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Corporations and Financial Services

Corporations and Financial Services

1 July - 31 August

| Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Inquiries ceased as at 31 August |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Joint Statutory | 1 | 0 | 1 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
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| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Total Meetings |
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| Meetings By State | | | | | | |
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| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | QLD |
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| Joint Statutory | | | | | | |

| Witnesses | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|---------------|
| Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) |
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| Joint Statutory | | | | | |

| Hansard Pages | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| General | No of Submissions | No Of Pages | Government Responses |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Joint Statutory | | | |

Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 31 August 2004)

Method of appointment

(formerly the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Securities; name amended 11 March 2002 pursuant to Schedule 1, Part 2 item 5 of the Financial Services Reform Act 2001) (re-appointed 14 February 2002))

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) (elected Chair-20.3.02) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-18.9.02) | 1.7.02 |
| Mr Alan Griffin (Bruce, Vic, ALP) | 20.3.02 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) | 14.2.02 |
| Mr Anthony Byrne (Holt, Vic, ALP) | 20.3.02 |
| Mr Steven Ciobo (Moncrieff, Qld, LP) | 20.3.02 |
| Mr Greg Hunt (Flinders, Vic, LP) | 20.3.02 |
| Mr Stewart McArthur (Corangamite, Vic, LP) | 20.3.02 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Senator Barney Cooney (Vic, ALP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Mr Alan Griffin (Bruce, Vic, ALP) (Deputy Chair) | 20.3.02-18.9.02 |

Current inquiry

As at 1 July 2004

- Performance of statutory duties (continuing)

Current inquiry ceased

As at 31 August 2004

- Performance of statutory duties

New references

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

**Native Title and the Aboriginal
And Torres Strait Islander
Fund**

Native Title & The Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Land Fund

1 July - 15 November

| | Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period | Reports tabled that discharged a reference | Inquiries ceased as at 15 November |
|-----------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Joint Statutory | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
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| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Total Meetings |
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| Meetings By State | | | | | | | |
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| | ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | QLD |
| Joint Statutory | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

| Witnesses | | | | | | Hansard Pages | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------|---------------|---------|-------------------|----------------------|
| | Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions | No Of Pages |
| Joint Statutory | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 107 | 11 | 79 |
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Joint Statutory Committee on Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Native Title Act 1993 (appointed on 14 February 2002)

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) (elected Chair-9.12.02) | 2.12.02 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-21.3.02) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 14.2.02 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP) | 1.7.02 |
| Mrs Kay Hull (Riverina, NSW, NATS) | 3.3.03 |
| Mrs Sussan Ley, MP (Fraser, NSW, LP) | 9.12.02 |
| The Hon Robert McMullan (Fraser, ACT, ALP) | 11.8.03 |
| Mr Patrick Secker (Barker, SA, LP) | 21.3.02 |
| The Hon Warren Snowdon (Lingiari, NT, ALP) | 21.3.02 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 14.2.02-30.6.02 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) (elected Chair-21.3.02) | 14.2.02-27.8.02 |
| Ms Sophie Panopoulos (Indi, Vic, LP) | 21.3.02-9.12.02 |
| Mr John Cobb (Parkes, NSW, NATS) | 21.3.02-3.3.03 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP) (elected Chair:21.10.02) | 1.7.02-9.12.02 |
| Ms Julia Gillard (Lalor, Vic, ALP) | 20.3.03-11.8.03 |

Current inquiries

As at 1 July 2004

- Statutory reporting role (continuing)
- Native Title Representative Bodies (adopted 15 September 2003)

Current inquiries ceased

As at 15 November 2004

- Statutory reporting role
- Native Title Representative Bodies (adopted 15 September 2003)

New references

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Native Title Representative Bodies – 19 July, Alice Springs; 21 July 2004, Broome

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Select Committees

Administration of Indigenous Affairs

1 July - 15 November

***Report that did not discharge a reference**

Select Committee on Administration of Indigenous Affairs

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 16 June 2004

| Current members | <i>Date of appointment</i> |
|---|----------------------------|
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) (elected Chair 24.6.04) | 23.6.04 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) (elected Deputy Chair 24.6.04) | 23.6.04 |
| Senator Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 23.6.04 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 23.6.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 23.6.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 23.6.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 23.6.04 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CL) | 23.6.04 |

| Former members | <i>Term of appointment</i> |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
|-----------------------|----------------------------|

Current inquiry

As at 1 July 2004

- (b) the provisions of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment Bill 2004;
- (c) the proposed administration of Indigenous programs and services by mainstream departments and agencies; and
- (d) related matters.

Current inquiry ceased

As at 15 November 2004

- (a) the provisions of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment Bill 2004;
- (b) the proposed administration of Indigenous programs and services by mainstream departments and agencies; and
- (c) related matters.

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- 20 July 2004, Alice Springs; 22 July 2004, Broome; 24 August 2004, Darwin; 25 August 2004, Gove; 26 August 2004, Thursday Island; 27 August 2004, Cairns

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Interim Report (presented out of session on 31 August 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

**Free Trade Agreement between
Australia and the United States of
America**

Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America

1 July - 15 November

| | Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Inquiries as at 15 November |
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| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
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| Meetings By State | | | | | | |
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| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | QLD |
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| Witnesses | | | | | |
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| Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) |
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| No of Submissions | General | Other (Bills) | Estimates | Government Responses |
| 7 | 138 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Select | | | | |

Select Committee on the Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 11 February 2004

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator the Hon. Peter Cook (WA, ALP) (elected Chair – 11.3.04) | 12.2.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) (elected Deputy Chair - 11.3.04) | 12.2.04 |
| Senator the Hon. Ronald Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 12.2.04 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 12.2.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 12.2.04 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 1.3.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 12.2.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 12.2.04 |

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP)* | 3.8.04-5.8.04 |
|-------------------------------|---------------|

**to replace Senator Cook for the period 3.8.04 to 9.8.04*

Current inquiry

As at 1 July 2004

- The committee shall:
 - (a) examine the agreement;
 - (b) provide a democratic and transparent process to review the agreement in its totality to ensure it is in Australia's national interest; and
 - (c) examine impacts of the agreement on Australia's economic, trade, investment and social and environment policies, including, but not limited to, agriculture, health, education and the media.

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- 6 July 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Final Report (tabled 5 August 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Lindeberg Grievance

Lindeberg Grievance

1 July - 15 November

| Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred during period | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Inquiries as at 15 November |
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| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
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| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Total Meetings |
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| Meetings By State | | | | | |
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| Select | | | | | |

| Witnesses | | | | | |
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| Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Hansard Pages |
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| Select | | | |

Select Committee on the Lindeberg Grievance

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 1 April 2004

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|--------|
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) (elected Chair 27.4.04) | 1.4.04 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair 27.4.04) | 1.4.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 1.4.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 1.4.04 |
| Senator Leonard Harris (Qld, PHON) | 1.4.04 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 1.4.04 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 1.4.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Current inquiry

As at 1 July 2004

- (d) whether any false or misleading evidence was given to the Select Committee on Public Interest Whistleblowing, the Select Committee on Unresolved Whistleblower Cases or the Committee of Privileges in respect of the matters considered in its 63rd and 71st reports; and whether any contempt was committed in that regard, having regard to previous inquiries by Senate committees relating to the shredding of the Heiner documents, the fresh material that has subsequently been revealed by the Dutney Memorandum, and Exhibits 20 and 31 tabled at the Forde Commission of Inquiry into the Abuse of Children in Queensland Institutions, and any other relevant evidence; and
- (e) the implications of this matter for measures which should be taken:
 - (i) to prevent the destruction and concealment by government of information which should be available in the public interest,
 - (ii) in relation to the protection of children from abuse, and
 - (iii) for the appropriate protection of whistleblowers.

Current inquiry

As at 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Report (presented out of session on 15 November 2004; tabled 16 November 2004)

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Scrafton Evidence

Scrafton Evidence

30 August - 15 November

| | Matters current as at 30 August | Matters referred during period | Reports tabled that discharge a reference | Inquiries ceased as at 15 November |
|--------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Select | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
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| Meetings By State | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | QLD |
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| | Witnesses | | | Hansard Pages | | | | | | |
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| | Televised Hearings | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | No of Submissions | No Of Pages | Government Responses |
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| Select | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 119 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Select Committee on the Scrafton Evidence

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 30 August 2004

Current members

| | <i>Date of appointment</i> |
|--|----------------------------|
| Senator Robert Ray (ALP, Vic) (<i>Chair</i>) | 30.8.04 |
| Senator Geroge Brandis (LP, Qld) (<i>Deputy Chair</i>) | 30.8.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (AD, Qld) | 30.8.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (ALP, NSW) | 30.8.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (LP, SA) | 30.8.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Current inquiry

As at 30 August 2004

- matters arising from the public statements made by former ministerial staffer, Mr Mike Scrafton, about the conversations he had with the Prime Minister, Mr Howard, about the ‘children overboard’ affair on 7 November 2001 and the implications of these statements for the findings of the Select Committee on a Certain Maritime Incident.

Current inquiry ceased

As at 15 November 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

30 August 2004 – 15 November 2004

- 1 September 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

30 August 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

30 August – 15 November 2004

- Nil

**Committee-related
activity in the chamber**

Details of Reports tabled in the Senate and other related matters

Legislation Committees:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled 23 reports (plus 2 reports that did not discharge a reference). The details are as follows:

Bills

Legislation Committees tabled 16 reports (plus 2 reports that did not discharge a reference) on the following Bills:

| Committee | Bills | Tabled |
|-----------|---|---------|
| LC | Provisions of the Telecommunications (Interception) Amendment (Stored Communications) Bill 2004 | 3.8.04 |
| LC | Family Law Amendment Bill 2004 | 3.8.04 |
| LC | Provisions of the Anti-terrorism Bill (No.2) 2004 | 9.8.04 |
| ECO | Tax Laws Amendment (Wine Producer Rebate and Other Measures) Bill 2004 | 11.8.04 |
| LC | Provisions of the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Telecommunications Offences and Other Measures) Bill (No.2) 2004 | 11.8.04 |
| RRAT | Administration of AusSAR in relation to the search for the <i>Margaret J</i> | 12.8.04 |
| LC | Provisions of the National Security Information (Criminal Proceedings) Bill 2004 and the National Security Information (Criminal Proceedings) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2004 | 30.8.04 |
| ECO | Textile, Clothing and Footwear Strategic Investment Program Amendment (Post-2005 Scheme) Bill 2004 and Customs Tariff Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Post-2005 Arrangements) Bill 2004 | 30.8.04 |

| Committee | Bills | Tabled |
|------------------|---|--|
| ECO | Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Regulations 2004 (No.2) | 30.8.04 |
| EWRE | Provisions of the Higher Education Legislation Amendment Bill (No.3) 2004 [tabled 16 November 2004) | 31.8.04 (presented out of session) |
| RRAT | Administration of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (Interim Report tabled 5.8.04 – Final incorporated in Annual Report) [tabled 16 November 2004) | 1.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| RRAT | Provisions of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2004 [tabled 16 November 2004) | 2.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| LC | Marriage Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 [tabled 16 November 2004) | 6.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| LC | Provisions of the Criminal Code Amendment (Suicide Related Material Offences) Bill 2004 [tabled 16 November 2004) | 6.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| RRAT | Provisions of the National Animal Welfare Bill 2003 – Disposed of Reference in Interim Report [tabled 16 November 2004) | 8.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| EWRE | *Provisions of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting Small Business Employment) Bill 2004 – Interim report [tabled 16 November 2004) | 14.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| CA | Tobacco advertising prohibition (this Inquiry addressed the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Preventing Smoking Related Deaths) Bill 2004) [tabled 16 November 2004) | 30.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| EWRE | *Interim Report – Inquiry into proposed Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Codifying Contempt Offences) Bill 2003 [tabled 16 November 2004) | 27.10.04 (presented out of session) |

**Reports that did not discharge a reference*

Estimates reports:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled no reports.

Annual Report reports:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled 7 reports.

References Committees:

During the reporting period, Senate References Committees tabled 9 reports (plus 10 reports that did not discharge a reference). The details are as follows:

| Committee | Report | Tabled |
|------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| EWRE | *Office of the Chief Scientist – Interim Report | 3.8.04 |
| EWRE | Office of the Chief Scientist | 5.8.04 |
| ECITA | The Australian Telecommunications Network | 5.8.04 |
| ECITA | Competition in broadband services | 10.8.04 |
| EWRE | Commonwealth Funding for Schools | 11.8.04 |
| FADT | Taking stock: Current health preparation arrangements for the deployment of Australian Defence Forces overseas | 12.8.04 |
| FADT | Bali 2002: Security threats to Australians in South East Asia | 12.8.04 |
| RRAT | Rural water resource usage | 12.8.04 |
| CA | *Forgotten Australians: A report on Australians who experienced institutional or out-of-home care as children – First report | 30.8.04 |
| LC | The road to a republic [tabled 16 November 2004) | 31.8.04 (presented out of session) |

| Committee | Report | Tabled |
|--------------|--|--|
| RRAT | Australian forest plantations: A review of <i>Plantations for Australia: The 2020 Vision</i> [tabled 16 November 2004] | 2.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| ECITA | *Interim report – Budgetary and Environmental implications of the Government's Energy White Paper [tabled 16 November 2004] | 2.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| FPA | *Interim report - Government Advertising and Accountability [tabled 16 November 2004] | 3.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| FADT | *Interim report – Effectiveness of Australia's military justice system [tabled 16 November 2004] | 8.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| CA | *Interim report – Aged Care [tabled 16 November 2004] | 30.9.04 (presented out of session) |
| LC | *Interim report – The needs of Australian expatriates [tabled 16 November 2004] | 1.10.04 (presented out of session) |
| EWRE | *Interim report – Inquiry into Indigenous training and employment outcomes [tabled 16 November 2004] | 20.10.04 (presented out of session) |
| EWRE | *Interim report – Inquiry into the progress and future direction of life-long learning [tabled 16 November 2004] | 20.10.04 (presented out of session) |
| EWRE | *Interim report – Inquiry into Student income support [tabled 16 November 2004] | 20.10.04 (presented out of session) |

**Reports that did not discharge a reference*

Joint Statutory/Select Committees:

During the reporting period, 2 reports (plus 2 interim reports that did not discharge a reference) were tabled by the Joint Statutory/Select Committees.

| Committee | Report | Tabled |
|---------------------|--|--|
| FTA (Select) | Final Report | 5.8.04 |
| ACC (Joint) | *Examination of the Annual Report for 2002-03 of the National Crime Authority and the Australian Crime Commission [tabled 16 November 2004) | 31.8.04 (presented out of session) |
| IA (Select) | *Interim Report [tabled 16 November 2004) | 31.8.04 (presented out of session) |
| LG (Select) | Report [tabled 16 November 2004) | 15.10.04 (presented out of session) |

**Reports that did not discharge a reference*

Government Responses to Committee Reports

The following table shows 3 Government responses to Senate Committee Reports:

| Government response | Date | Committee |
|--|-------------|--------------------|
| Libraries in the online environment | 16.10.03 | ECITA (Ref) |
| Examination of the Government's Foreign and trade policy strategy: The (not quite) White Paper | 4.12.03 | FADT (Ref) |
| Aspects of the <i>Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986</i> and the Military Compensation Scheme | 12.8.04 | FADT (Leg) |

A complete list of Government responses is produced in the Business of the Senate published half yearly by the Senate Table Office.

**Dissenting Reports/Minority Reports/Additional
Comments/Additional
Statements/Reports/Recommendations/Reports/Additional
Remarks/Supplementary Reports/Remarks**

| <i>Legislation:</i> | <i>LP</i> | <i>ALP</i> | <i>AD</i> |
|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Additional Comments | | 2 | 2 |
| Supplementary Reports | | | 3 |
| Reports | | 1 | |
| Dissenting Reports | | 6 | 4 |

| <i>References:</i> | <i>LP</i> | <i>CLP</i> | <i>ALP</i> | <i>NATS</i> | <i>AD</i> | <i>Ind</i> | <i>AG</i> |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Reports | 2 | | | | 1 | | |
| Dissenting Reports | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Additional Comments | 2 | | 3 | | 2 | | |
| Minority Reports | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Supplementary Reports | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Remarks | 2 | | 1 | | | | |

| <i>Joint/Select:</i> | <i>LP</i> | <i>ALP</i> | <i>AD</i> | <i>PHON</i> |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Recommendations | | 3 | | 1 |
| Dissenting Reports | 1 | | 1 | |
| Additional Statements | | | 1 | |
| Additional Comments | 3 | | | |

Extension of Time to present Reports

During the reporting period, 11 extensions of time were granted to Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office to present reports. There were 7 extensions of under a week and 4 extensions of under a month.

Leave to Meet while the Senate is in session

During the reporting period, Senate Committees were granted to meet while the Senate was in session on 12 occasions.

Change of Membership of Committees

During the reporting period, there were 16 changes to membership to Committees.

Appointment of Committees

The Select Committee on the Scafton Evidence was appointed on 30 August 2004.

Other Committees

Regulations and Ordinances

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 23.

Current members

Senator Tchen (Chair), Senators Bartlett, Marshall, Mason, Moore and Santoro.

Former members

Senators Coonan, Brandis, Buckland and Ludwig.

Secretary

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Mr James Warmenhoven | 6277 3066 | 6277 5838 |

Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises delegated legislation to ensure:

that it is in accordance with the statute;

that it does not trespass unduly on personal rights and liberties;

that it does not unduly make the rights and liberties of citizens dependent upon administrative decisions which are not subject to review of their merits by a judicial or other independent tribunal; and

that it does not contain matter more appropriate for parliamentary enactment.

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- nil

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

| | |
|------------|---|
| Private: | 2 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Total: | 2 |

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| No. of instruments scrutinised | 332 |
| Notices of Motion to Disallow | 2 |
| Notices withdrawn | 0 |
| Notices pending | 0 (lapsed at the end of the Parliament) |

Scrutiny of Bills

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24.

Current members

Senator Marshall (Chair) Senator Mason (Deputy Chair), Senators Barnett, Johnston, McLucas and Murray

Secretary

| | | |
|----------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Mr Richard Pye | 6277 3050 | 6277 5838 |

Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises bills and Acts of Parliament and reports to the Senate whether such bills or Acts, by express words or otherwise:

- trespass unduly on personal rights and liberties;
- make rights, liberties or obligations unduly dependent upon insufficiently defined administrative powers;
- make rights, liberties or obligations unduly dependent upon non-reviewable decisions;
- inappropriately delegate legislative powers; or
- insufficiently subject the exercise of legislative power to parliamentary scrutiny.

Between 1 July 2004 and 15 November 2004 the committee considered 33 bills, and commented on 14 bills in two Alert Digests. The committee also produced two Reports containing correspondence from ministers addressing its concerns.

Alert Digests tabled

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- No. 9 of 2004 (4 August 2004)
- No. 10 of 2004 (11 August 2004)

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Ninth Report of 2004 (4 August 2004)
- Tenth Report of 2004 (11 August 2004)

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

| | |
|----------|---|
| Private: | 2 |
| Public: | |
| Total: | 2 |

Appropriations and Staffing

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 19.

Members

The President (Senator the Hon. Paul Calvert) (Chairman), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon. Robert Hill), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator the Hon. John Faulkner), Senators Allison, Bolkus, Boswell, Ferris, Heffernan and Ray

Secretary

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Mr Peter Hallahan | 6277 3015 | 6277 5784 |

Role of the committee

The Standing Committee on Appropriations and Staffing determines the amounts for inclusion in the parliamentary appropriation bills and reports to the Senate on its determinations prior to the Senate's consideration of those bills.

The committee also examines matters affecting the staffing and administration of the Department of the Senate, including proposals to vary the staffing structure, and other matters referred to it by the Senate. It makes an annual report to the Senate on the operations of the Senate's appropriations and staffing and related matters (standing order 19(3)). Under a resolution of the Senate agreed to in 1987 the committee also examines proposed changes in the structure and responsibilities of the parliamentary departments.

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Annual report 2003-04

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

| | |
|----------|-----|
| Private: | nil |
| Public: | nil |
| Total: | nil |

House

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 21.

Current members

The President (Senator Calvert) (Chair), the Deputy President (Senator Hogg), Senators Carr, Colbeck, Crossin, Lightfoot and Stephens

Secretary

| | | |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Phone | Fax |
| Ms Andrea Griffiths | (02) 6277 3398 | (02) 6277 3199 |

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Private: | 0 |
| Public: | 0 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspections: | 0 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Other: | 0 |
| Total: | 0 |

* Sitting jointly with a similar committee of the House of Representatives

Library

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 20.

Current members

The President (Sen the Hon P Calvert), Senators Kirk, Ludwig, Scullion, Tchen, Tierney and Wong.

Secretary

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Hilary Penfold QC | 6277 7100 | 6277 5417 |

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Private: | 2 |
| Public: | 0 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspections: | 0 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Other: | 0 |
| Total: | 2 |

Privileges

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 18.

Current members

Senator Ray (Chair), Senator Knowles (Deputy Chair), Senators Evans, Humphries, Johnston, Payne and Sherry

Secretary

| | | | |
|-----------------|------------|-----------|---------------------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) | e-mail |
| Miss Anne Lynch | 6277 3360 | 6277 3199 | Priv.sen@aph.gov.au |

Current inquiries

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Whether there was an unauthorised disclosure of the draft report of the Community Affairs References Committee in relation to poverty and financial hardship, and whether any contempt was committed in that regard (*referred 12 May 2004*)
- Whether there was an unauthorised disclosure of the draft report of the Community Affairs References Committee in relation to Hepatitis C and blood supply in Australia, and whether any contempt was committed in that regard (*referred 24 June 2004*)
- Whether there was any unauthorised disclosure of the private deliberations or the draft report of the Select Committee on the Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America, and, if so, whether any contempt was committed in that regard (*referred 5 August 2004*)

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- 119th report—Possible false or misleading evidence before the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee (*tabled 3 August 2004*)

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

Private: 2
Public:
In camera:
Inspections:
Briefings:
Other:
Total: 2

Procedure

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 17.

Current members

The Deputy President (Senator J Hogg) (Chair), the President (Senator the Hon P Calvert), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (the Hon R Hill), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (the Hon J Faulkner), Senators Allison, Ian Campbell, Eggleston, Ferguson, Ludwig and Ray

Secretary

| | | |
|----------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Mr Harry Evans | 6277 3350 | 6277 3199 |

Current inquiry

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- —

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- —

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

Private:

Public:

In camera:

Inspections:

Briefings:

Other:

Total: 0

Publications

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22.

Current members

Senators Colbeck, Chair [appointed 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], Hutchins [appointed 13.2.02], Johnston [appointed 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], Kirk [appointed 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], Marshall [appointed 27.7.02, effective from 1.7.02], Moore, Deputy Chair [appointed 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02] and Scullion [appointed 28.9.02]

Former members

Senators Bishop [appointed 13.2.02, discharged 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], Calvert [appointed 13.2.02, ceased to be a member on election as President of the Senate 19.8.02], Chapman [appointed 13.2.02, discharged 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], Lightfoot, [appointed 13.2.02, discharged 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02], McKiernan [appointed 13.2.02, retired 30.6.02] and McLucas [appointed 13.2.02, discharged 27.6.02, effective from 1.7.02]

Secretary

| | | |
|----------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Jan Chapman | 6277 3037 | 6277 3448 |

Public hearings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- 0

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- 1

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Private: | 1 |
| Public: | 0 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspections: | 0 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Other: | 0 |
| Total: | 1 |

Selection of Bills

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Standing Order 24A.

Current members

The Government Whip (Senator Ferris) (Chair), the Opposition Whip (Senator Mackay), The Nationals Whip (Senator McGauran), the Australian Democrats Whip (Senator Allison) and Senators Buckland, Ian Campbell, Eggleston and Ludwig.

Secretary

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|---------------------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Dr Rosemary Laing | 6277 3020 | 6277 3098/6277 3099 |

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Report no. 10 of 2004 4 August 2004
- Report no. 11 of 2004 11 August 2004

Meetings – All meetings held at Parliament House, Canberra

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Private: | 2 |
| Total: | 2 |

Senators' Interests

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22A.

Current members

Senator Denman (Chair), Senator Lightfoot (Deputy Chair), Senators Allison, Forshaw, Humphries, McGauran, Webber and Wong

Secretary

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|-----------------|------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) | e-mail |
| Miss Anne Lynch | 6277 3360 | 6277 3199 | Senators.interests@aph.gov.au |

Register of Senators' Interests

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

Documents presented

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

Private:

Public:

In camera:

Inspection:

Briefings:

Other:

Total: Nil

Electoral Matters (Joint Standing)

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 14 February 2002 and agreed to by the Senate on 14 February 2002.

Current members

Mr Petro Georgiou MP (Chairman), Mr Michael Danby MP (Deputy Chairman), Senator Brandis, Senator Faulkner, Senator Mason, Senator Murray, Senator Ray, Mr John Forrest MP, Mr Daryl Melham MP, Ms Sophie Panopoulos MP.

Secretary

| | | |
|--------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Mr. Russell Chafer | 6277 4564 | 6277 4710 |

Current inquiries

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Inquiry into Disclosure of donations to political parties and candidates

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- None

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- None

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

| | |
|-------------|---|
| Private: | 1 |
| Public: | 0 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspection: | 0 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Other: | 0 |
| Total: | 1 |

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Joint Standing)

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 14 February 2002, and agreed to by the Senate on 14 February 2002.

Current Members

Senator A Ferguson (Chairman), Mr L Brereton MP (Deputy Chairman), Senators Bartlett (to 18/11/02), Bishop (to 19/8/02), Bolkus, Calvert (to 19/8/02), Cook, Eggleston, Evans, Harradine, Hutchins (from 19/8/02), Johnston (from 22/8/02), JAL Macdonald, O'Brien, Payne, Stott Despoja (from 18/11/02), and Mrs J Gash MP, Ms Moylan MP, Messrs Baird MP, Baldwin MP, Beazley MP, Bevis MP, Byrne MP (from 24/9/02), Edwards MP, LDT Ferguson, MP, Hawker MP, Lindsay MP, Martin MP (to 16/8/02), Nairn MP, Price MP, Prosser MP, Scott MP, Snowden MP, Somlyay MP, Thompson MP

Secretary

Dr Margot Kerley 6277 4629

Current Inquiries

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Inquiry into Australia's human rights dialogue
- Inquiry into Australia's defence relations with the United States
- Inquiry into Expanding Australia's Trade and Investment Relationship with the economies of the Gulf States
- Scrutiny of the World Trade Organisation
- Review of Australia's relations with the United Nations

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Review of the Defence Annual Report 2002-03 (Tabled 11 August 2004)
- Australia's engagement with the World Trade Organisation (Tabled 2 July 2004)

Government Responses

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Private: | 2 |
| Public: | 1 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspections/Briefings | |
| Other (Seminar) | |
| Total: | 3 |

Secretaries of Sub-Committees

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Dr John Carter (Foreign Affair Sub-Committee) | (02) 6277 4306 |
| Mr Pierre Huetter (Trade Sub-Committee) | (02) 6277 4628 |
| Mr Stephen Boyd (Defence Sub-Committee) | (02) 6277 2368 |
| Mr Pierre Huetter (Human Rights Sub-Committee) | (02) 6277 4466 |

Migration (Joint Standing)

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to resolutions of the House of Representatives and the Senate of 14 February 2002.

Current members

Ms Teresa Gambaro, MP (Chair), Mr Bernie Ripoll, MP (Deputy Chair), Senators Andrew Bartlett, Alan Eggleston, Linda Kirk, Tsebin Tchen, and Mrs Julia Irwin MP, Mr Laurie Ferguson MP, Ms Joanna Gash MP, Mr Don Randall MP.

Secretary

| | | |
|------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Mr Richard Selth | 6277 4565 | 6277 8506 |

Current inquiry

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Private: | Nil |
| Public: | Nil |
| In camera: | Nil |
| Inspections: | Nil |
| Briefings: | Nil |
| Total meetings: | Nil |

National Capital and External Territories (Joint Standing)

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to resolution of the House of Representatives of 14 February 2002 and the Senate of 15 February 2002.

Current members

Senator Ross Lightfoot (Chairman), Senator Trish Crossin (Deputy Chair), the Deputy President (Senator Sue West to 30 June 2002, Senator John Hogg appointed on 19 August 2002), the Deputy Speaker (Hon Ian Causley, MP), Senator Brian Greig (Discharged on the 18 November 2002), Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (Appointed on the 18 November 2002), Senator Kate Lundy, Senator Richard Colbeck (to 27 June 2002), Senator Nigel Scullion (from 27 June 2002), Ms Annette Ellis MP, Mr Michael Johnson MP (Discharged 19 February 2004), Mr Paul Neville MP, Hon Warren Snowdon MP, Mr Cameron Thompson MP and Dr. Mal Washer MP.

Current inquiries

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Norfolk Island - Review of the Annual Reports of the Department of Transport and Regional Services and the Department of the Environment and Heritage (Australia's external territories)
- Indian Ocean Territories- Review of the Annual Reports of the Department of Transport and Regional Services and the Department of the Environment and Heritage (Australia's external territories)
- Inquiry into the Role of the National Capital Authority
- Inquiry into the role of the National Capital Authority in determining the extent of redevelopment of the Pierces Creek Settlement in the ACT
- Inquiry into the adequacy of funding for Australia's Antarctic Program
- Inquiry into Norfolk Island Governance Part 2: Sustainability of Government

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- *Norfolk Island - Review of the Annual Reports of the Department of Transport and Regional Services and the Department of the Environment and Heritage (Australia's external territories)* Tabled: 2 July 2004
- *A national capital, a place to live: Inquiry into the Role of the National Capital Authority* Tabled: 2 July 2004
- *Difficult Choices: Inquiry into the role of the National Capital Authority in determining the extent of redevelopment of the Pierces Creek Settlement in the ACT* Presented: 31 August 2004
- *Indian Ocean Territories- Review of the Annual Reports of the Department of Transport and Regional Services and the Department of the Environment and Heritage (Australia's external territories)* Presented: 31 August 2004

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

| | |
|---------|---|
| Private | 4 |
| Public | 2 |
| Total | 6 |

Treaties (Joint Standing)

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the House of Representatives and the Senate on 14 February 2002.

Members

Dr A Southcott MP (Chair), Mr K Wilkie MP (Deputy Chair), Senator Bartlett, Senator Kirk, Senator Mason, Senator Marshall, Senator Santoro, Senator Stephens, Senator Tchen, Hon D Adams MP, Mr K. Bartlett MP, Mr S Ciobo MP, Mr M Evans MP, Mr G Hunt MP, Mr P.E. King MP, Hon B Scott MP.

Secretary

| | | |
|------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Gillian Gould | 6277 4002 | 6277 2219 |

Current inquiries

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Treaties tabled on 12 May 2004
- Treaties tabled on 22 June 2004
- Treaties tabled on 4 August 2004

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- 5

ASIO, ASIS and DSD (Joint Statutory)

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Intelligence Services Act 2001.

Members

Mr Jull (Presiding Member)

Senator Paul Calvert (Discharged on the 18 August 2002); Senator Alan Ferguson (Appointed on the 27 August 2002), Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator Robert Ray; Hon Kim Beazley MP; Mr Stewart McArthur MP; and Hon Leo McLeay MP.

Secretary

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Margaret Swieringa | 6277 4348 | 6277 2067 |

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Nil

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Private | 4 |
| Public | 0 |
| In camera | 0 |
| Inspections | 0 |
| Briefings | 3 |
| Other (Private Hearings) | |
| Total | 7 |

Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946.

Current members

The Speaker (The Hon J N Andrew MP), the President (Senator The Hon P Calvert), Senators J Ferris and S Stephens, Mr J Forrest MP, Mrs J Gash MP, Mr P Lindsay MP, Ms J S McFarlane MP and The Hon R Price MP

Secretary

| | | |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Claressa Surtees | 6277 4888 | 6277 4204 |

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

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Meetings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

-

Public Accounts and Audit (Joint Statutory)

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit

Pursuant to Public Accounts and Audit Committee Act 1951.

Committee name

Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit

Pursuant to Public Accounts and Audit Committee Act 1951

Membership

Members

Mr Bob Charles MP (Chairman)

Ms Tanya Plibersek MP (Deputy chair)

Mr Steven Ciobo MP

Mr John Cobb MP

Mr Petro Georgiou MP

Ms Sharon Grierson MP

Mr Alan Griffin MP

Ms Catherine King MP

Mr Peter King MP

The Hon Alex Somlyay MP

Senators

Senator Richard Colbeck (until 25 Mar 2003)

Senator Stephen Conroy (until 11 Sep 2003)

Senator John Hogg (from 11 Sep 2003)

Senator Gary Humphries (from 25 Mar 2003)

Senator Kate Lundy (from 19 Nov 2002, until 1 April 2004)

Senator Claire Moore (until 19 Nov 2002, from 1 April 2004)

Senator Andrew Murray

Senator Nigel Scullion

Senator John Watson

Current inquiries

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Inquiry into Indigenous Law and Justice
- Auditor-General's Reports
 1. Audit Report No. 25, 2003-2004, Performance Audit, Intellectual Property Policies and Practices in Commonwealth Agencies
 2. Audit Report No. 34, 2003-2004, Performance Audit, The Administration of Major Programs, Australian Greenhouse Office
 3. Audit Report No. 36, 2003-2004, Performance Audit, The Commonwealth's Administration of the Dairy Industry Adjustment Authority

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Report 401 - Annual Report 2003-2004 (Parliamentary Paper 195/2004) Presented 11 August 2004
- Report 402 - Review of Auditor General's Reports, 2003-2004, First and Second Quarters (Parliamentary Paper: 218/2004) Presented 13 August 2004

Government responses received

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- Report 395 - Inquiry into the Draft Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill (Presented 4 August 2004)
- Report 377 - Guidelines for Government Advertising (Presented 11 August 2004)

Meetings/hours

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Full committee: | 3 times for a total of 1 hour 17 minutes |
| Sectional committees: | 5 times for a total of 12 hours 7 minutes |
| Total hours: | 13 hours 24 mins |

Public Works (Joint Statutory)

40th Parliament (1 July 2004 to 15 November 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Public Works Act 1969.

Current members

Ms J. Moylan MP (Chair), Mr B. O'Connor MP, (Deputy Chair), Senator P. Calvert (Discharged on the 18 August 2002), Senator R. Colbeck (Appointed on the 18 August), Senator A. Ferguson, Senator M. Forshaw, Mr H. Jenkins MP, Mr P. Lindsay MP, Mr J. Lloyd MP, and Mr B. Ripoll MP.

Secretary

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Margaret Swieringa | 6277 4348 | 6277 4426 |

Current inquiries

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- 8
- **Proposed development of land at Lee Point, in Darwin, for Defence and private housing**
- **Development of a New Collection Storage Facility for the national Library of Australia**
- **Fit-out of New Leased Premises for the Attorney-General's Department at 3-5 National Circuit, Barton, ACT**
- **New East Building for the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, ACT**
- **Ordnance Breakdown Facility, Proof and Experimental Establishment Site, Port Wakefield, SA**
- **Development of Land for defence Housing at McDowell in Brisbane**
- **Fit-out of New Leased Premises for the Dept of Prime Minister and Cabinet at 1 National Circuit, Barton, ACT**
- **Fitout of new leased premises for Dept of Industry, Tourism and Resources in Civic, ACT**

Reports presented

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

- **3**
- **Proposed Fitout of New Leased Premises for Dept of Health and Ageing at Scarborough House, Woden Town Centre, ACT**
- **Mid-life upgrade of existing Chancery building for the Australian High Commission, Wellington, New Zealand**
- **Provision of Facilities for Headquarters Joint Operations Command, NSW**

Meetings

1 July 2004 – 31 August 2004

| | |
|-------------|----------|
| Private | 2 |
| Public | 3 |
| Inspections | 4 |
| Total | 9 |

PART TWO

Consolidated Statistical Overview (end of the 40th Parliament)

1 July 2004 - 15 November 2004

Statistical Overview of Committees Administered by the Senate Committee Office

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004 (end of 40th Parliament)

| | Matters current as at 1 July | Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports) | Reports tabled that discharged a reference | Inquiries ceased as at 31 August and at the end of 40 th Parliament | Current inquiries as at 15 November |
|--------------|------------------------------|---|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| Legislation | 16 | 13 | 23 +(2*) | 0 | 6 |
| References | 23 | 0 | 9 +(10*) | 0 | 14 |
| Select/Joint | 7 | 1 | 2 +(2*) | 6 | 0 |
| Total | 46 | 14 | 34 | 6 | 20 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Total Meetings |
| Legislation | 12 | 0 | 0:00 | 25 | 11:39 | 37 |
| References | 22 | 0 | 0:00 | 28 | 17:40 | 52 |
| Select/Joint | 9 | 0 | 0:00 | 13 | 8:53 | 22 |
| Total | 43 | 0 | 0:00 | 66 | 38:12 | 111 |
| | | | | | | 209:18 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | QLD |
| Legislation | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Select/Joint | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Total | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| Legislation | 8 | 0 | 124 | 5 | 483 | 19 | 227 | 1478 | 1 |
| References | 13 | 0 | 0 | 171 | 0 | 1328 | 283 | 3571 | 2 |
| Select/Joint | 1 | 0 | 0 | 114 | 0 | 707 | 234 | 1877 | 0 |
| Total | 22 | 0 | 124 | 290 | 483 | 2054 | 744 | 6926 | 3 |

* Reports that did not discharge a reference

PART THREE

16 November 2004 - 31 December 2004
(beginning of the 41st Parliament)

**Legislative and General Purpose
Standing Committees
administered by the
Senate Committee Office**

Community Affairs

Community Affairs (16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| | Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41 st Parliament | Matters re- referred and/or referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| References | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 +(1 [^]) | 2 |
| Total | 3 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 4 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|------|------------------|------|---------|------|----------------|------|----------------|-------------|
| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
| Legislation | 1 | 1:15 | 0 | 0:00 | 4 | 0:25 | 0 | 0:00 | 5 | 1:40 |
| References | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 3 | 1:35 | 0 | 0:00 | 3 | 1:35 |
| Total | 1 | 1:15 | 0 | 0:00 | 7 | 2:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 8 | 3:15 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | | |
| Legislation | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| References | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Total | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|----------|---------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 7 | 55 | 0 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 135 | 0 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 22 | 190 | 0 |

^Report that re-referred inquiries from 40th Parliament

Community Affairs Legislation

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) (elected Chair-18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) (elected Deputy Chair-18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 1.12.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)

Term of appointment

18.11.04-1.12.04

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP)

Term of appointment

18.11.04-1.12.04

Inquiry from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Nil

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- *Provisions* of the Private Health Insurance Incentives Amendment Bill 2004 (referred 1 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)
- *Provisions* of the National Health Amendment (Prostheses) Bill 2004 (referred 8 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- *Provisions* of the Private Health Insurance Incentives Amendment Bill 2004 (referred 1 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)
- *Provisions* of the National Health Amendment (Prostheses) Bill 2004 (referred 8 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Matter relating to the Department of Health and Ageing – 9 December 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Estimates

2004-05 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearings were not held in November 2004.

Community Affairs References

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) (elected Chair- 18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) (elected Deputy Chair- 18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)* | 7.12.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)** | 7.12.04 |

**replace Senator Lees for inquiry into Aged Care*

***replace Senator Lees for inquiry into children in institutional care*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 7.12.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Shayne Murphy (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members *Term of appointment*

Former substitute members *Term of appointment*

Former participating members *Term of appointment*

Inquiries from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Annual Ombudsman Report on the operations of the social security breaches and penalties system (referred 16 October 2002)
- Children in institutional care (referred 4 March 2003)
- Aged Care standards (referred 23 June 2004)

Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41st Parliament

- Annual Ombudsman Report on the operations of the social security breaches and penalties system (referred 16 October 2002)
- Children in institutional care (referred 4 March 2003)
- Aged Care standards (referred 23 June 2004)

Inquiries re-referred

- Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care (re-referred 1 December 2004)
- Inquiry into Aged Care (re-referred 1 December 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care (re-referred 1 December 2004)
- Inquiry into Aged Care (re-referred 1 December 2004)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report –Inquiries re-referred (41st Parliament) (tabled 1 December 2004)

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Economics

Economics (16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| | Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41 st Parliament | Matters re-referred and/or referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------------|-------------|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Total Meetings |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 4 | 1:05 | 0 | 4 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 | 1:05 | 0 | 2 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 6 | 2:10 | 0 | 6 |
| | | | | | | | Total Hours |
| | | | | | | | 1:05 |
| | | | | | | | 1:05 |
| | | | | | | | 2:10 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | | |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|----------|---------------|---------------|----------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 21 | 0 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 21 | 0 |

Economics Legislation

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) (elected Chair – 30.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) (elected Deputy Chair – 30.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)* | 18.11.04 |
|--------------------------------|----------|

**replace Senator Murray for matters relating to the Resources portfolio*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Paul Calvert (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Peter Cook (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |

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|--|----------|
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiry from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 31 December 2004

- Nil

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- *Provisions of the Tax Laws Amendment (Superannuation Reporting) Bill 2004 (referred 1 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)*

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- *Provisions of the Tax Laws Amendment (Superannuation Reporting) Bill 2004 (tabled 7 December 2004)*

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Estimates

2004-05 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearings were not held in November 2004.

Economics References

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) (elected Chair –30.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) (elected Deputy Chair – 30.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)* | 18.11.04 |
|--------------------------------|----------|

**replace Senator Ridgeway for matters relating to the Resources portfolio*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Francis (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiry from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 31 December 2004

- Possible links between household debt, demand for imported goods and Australia's current account deficit (referred 9 December 2004)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Possible links between household debt, demand for imported goods and Australia's current account deficit (referred 9 December 2004)

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education (16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| | Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41 st Parliament | Matters re- referred and/or referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| Legislation | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 +(1^) | 2 |
| References | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 +(1^) | 3 |
| Total | 5 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 5 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----|------------------|-----|---------|-----|-------------|-----|----------------|-------------|------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours | |
| Legislation | 1 | 4:26 | 0 | 0:00 | 3 | 0:28 | 0 | 0:00 | 4 | 4:54 |
| References | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 | 0:29 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 | 0:29 |
| Total | 1 | 4:26 | 0 | 0:00 | 5 | 0:57 | 0 | 0:00 | 6 | 5:23 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | | |
| Legislation | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| References | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Total | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|---------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 49 | 8 | 81 | 0 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 49 | 8 | 81 | 0 |

^Reports that re-referred inquiries from 40th Parliament

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Legislation

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) (elected Chair – 18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair – 18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)* | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)** | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)*** | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)**** | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)***** | 1.12.04 |

**replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to the Schools and Training portfolio*

***replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to the Employment portfolio*

****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to the Workplace Relations portfolio*

*****replace Senator Wong for matters relating to the Education portfolio*

******replace Senator Wong for matters relating to the Industrial Relations portfolio*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |

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|--|----------|
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiries from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Provisions of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting Small Business Employment) Bill 2004 (referred 16 June 2004)
- Proposed amendment to Workplace Relations Amendment (Codifying Contempt Offences) Bill 2003 (referred 26 June 2004)

Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41st Parliament

- Provisions of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Protecting Small Business Employment) Bill 2004 (referred 16 June 2004)
- Proposed Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Codifying Contempt Offences) Bill 2003 (referred 26 June 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- *Provisions* of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Right of Entry) Bill 2004 (referred 8 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)
- *Provisions* of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Small Business Employment Protection) Bill 2004 (referred 9 December 2004)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Workplace Relations Amendment (Agreement Validation) Bill 2004 (referred 18 November 2004)
- *Provisions* of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Right of Entry) Bill 2004 (referred 8 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)
- *Provisions* of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Small Business Employment Protection) Bill 2004 (referred 9 December 2004)

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Workplace Relations Amendment (Agreement Validation) Bill 2004 – 25 November 2004, Melbourne

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Workplace Relations Amendment (Agreement Validation) Bill 2004 (tabled 29 November 2004)
- Report on the references of the 40th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) (tabled 8 December 2004)

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Estimates

2004-05 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearings were not held in November 2004.

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) (elected Chair – 2.12.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD)* | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)** | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)*** | 18.11.04 |

**replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to the Schools and Training portfolio*

***replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to the Employment portfolio*

****replace Senator Stott Despoja for matters relating to the Workplace Relations portfolio*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |

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| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 1.12.04 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiries from the end of the 40th Parliament

- The progress and future direction of life-long learning (referred 11 March 2004)
- Impediments to indigenous employment and measures to improve vocational training and employment outcomes for indigenous people (referred 11 March 2004)
- Living costs of students enrolled in full-time and part-time courses (referred 11 March 2004)

Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41st Parliament

- The progress and future direction of life-long learning (referred 11 March 2004)
- Impediments to indigenous employment and measures to improve vocational training and employment outcomes for indigenous people (referred 11 March 2004)
- Living costs of students enrolled in full-time and part-time courses (referred 11 March 2004)

Inquiry re-referred

- Living costs of students enrolled in full-time and part-time courses (re-referred 8 December 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- Indigenous education (referred 6 December 2004)
- Unfair dismissal laws (referred 7 December 2004)
- Living costs of students enrolled in full-time and part-time courses (re-referred 8 December 2004)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Indigenous education (referred 6 December 2004)
- Unfair dismissal laws (referred 7 December 2004)

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report on the references of the 40th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) (tabled 8 December 2004)

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

**Environment, Communications,
Information Technology
and the Arts**

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts (16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| | Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41 st Parliament | Matters re- referred and/or referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| References | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 +(2 [^]) | 2 |
| Total | 2 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 3 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Total Meetings |
| Legislation | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 4 | 0:30 | 0 | 4 |
| References | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 2 | 0:16 | 0 | 2 |
| Total | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 6 | 0:46 | 0 | 6 |
| | | | | | | | 0:46 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD |
| Legislation | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|----------|---------------|---------------|----------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) (elected Chair-18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair -2.12.04) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD)* | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD)** | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)*** | 18.11.04 |

**replace Senator Allison for matters relating to the Communications portfolio*

***replace Senator Allison for matters relating to the Information Technology portfolio*

****replace Senator Allison for matters relating to the Arts portfolio*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |

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| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) 18.11.04-29.11.04

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiry from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 31 December 2004

- *Provisions* of the Broadcasting Services Amendment (Anti-Siphoning) Bill 2004 (referred 8 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- *Provisions* of the National Water Commission Bill 2004 (referred 1 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)
- *Provisions* of the Broadcasting Services Amendment (Anti-Siphoning) Bill 2004 (referred 8 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- *Provisions* of the National Water Commission Bill 2004 (tabled 7 December 2004)

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Estimates

2004-05 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearings were not held in November 2004.

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) (elected Chair-18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) (elected Deputy Chair-18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

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|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04-29.11.04 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiries from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Invasive species (referred 26 June 2003)
- Budgetary and environmental implications of the Government's Energy White Paper (referred 24 June 2004)

Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41st Parliament

- Invasive species (referred 26 June 2003)
- Budgetary and environmental implications of the Government's Energy White Paper (referred 24 June 2004)

Inquiries re-referred

- Regulation, control and management of invasive species and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Invasive Species) Bill 2002 (re-referred 1 December 2004)
- Budgetary and environmental implications of the Government's Energy White Paper (re-referred 8 December 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- *Provisions* of the Australian Communications and Media Authority Bill 2004 and related bills and matters (referred 8 December 2004)
- Budgetary and environmental implications of the Government's Energy White Paper (re-referred 8 December 2004)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- *Provisions of the Australian Communications and Media Authority Bill 2004 and related bills and matters (referred 8 December 2004)*

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report on the references of the 40th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) (tabled 1 December 2004)
- Report on the references of the 40th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) (tabled 8 December 2004)
- Turning back the tide – The invasive species challenge: Report on the Regulation, control and management of invasive species and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Invasive Species) Bill 2002 (tabled 8 December 2004)

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Finance and Public Administration

Finance and Public Administration (16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| | Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41 st Parliament | Matters re-referred and/or referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|---|
| Legislation | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Total | 4 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 3 |

Number and Hours of Meeting

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|------|------------------|------|---------|------|-------------|------|----------------|-------------|
| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
| Legislation | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 |
| References | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:20 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:20 |
| Total | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:20 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:20 |

Meetings by State

| | Meetings by State | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|
| | ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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Finance and Public Administration Legislation

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) (elected Chair-29.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) (elected Deputy Chair-29.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 29.11.04 |

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|--|----------|
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 29.11.04 |

Former members *Term of appointment*

Former substitute members *Term of appointment*

Former participating members *Term of appointment*

Inquiry from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Portfolio Budget Statements (referred 21 November 1996; readopted 2 December 1998) (readopted 21 March 2002)

Inquiry discharged at the beginning of the 41st Parliament

- Portfolio Budget Statements (referred 21 November 1996; readopted 2 December 1998) (readopted 21 March 2002)

Current inquiry

As at 31 December 2004

- Nil

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Estimates

2004-05 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearings were not held in November 2004.

Finance and Public Administration References

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) (elected Chair-29.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) (elected Deputy Chair-29.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)* | 30.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP)** | 2.12.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP)*** | 2.12.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD)# | 2.12.04 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP)## | 2.12.04 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP)### | 2.12.04 |

**replace Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into government advertising*

***replace Senator George Campbell for inquiry into the operation of the Regional Partnerships program*

****replace Senator Moore for inquiry into the operation of the Regional Partnerships program*

#replace Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into the operation of the Regional Partnerships program

##replace Senator Watson for inquiry into the operation of the Regional Partnerships program

###replace Senator Heffernan for inquiry into the operation of the Regional Partnerships program

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 6.12.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |

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|--|----------|
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NATS) | 6.12.04 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 8.12.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 29.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiries from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Tabling of indexed lists of files of departments and agencies (referred 21 August 1996 pursuant to the order of 30 May 1996; readopted 1 December 1998) (readopted 21 March 2002)
- Second year of operation of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts (ordered 18 June 2003)
- Government advertising (referred 23 June 2004)

Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41st Parliament

- Tabling of indexed lists of files of departments and agencies (referred 21 August 1996 pursuant to the order of 30 May 1996; readopted 1 December 1998) (readopted 21 March 2002)
- Second year of operation of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts (ordered 18 June 2003)
- Government advertising (referred 23 June 2004)

Senate Order

- Second year of operation of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts (ordered 18 June 2003)

Inquiry re-referred

- Government advertising (re-referred 18 November 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- Second year of operation of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts (ordered 18 June 2003)
- Government advertising (re-referred 18 November 2004)
- Regional Partnerships program (referred 2 December 2004)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Regional Partnerships program (referred 2 December 2004)

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

**Foreign Affairs, Defence
and Trade**

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| | Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41 st Parliament | Matters re-referred and/or referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 + (1 [^]) | 2 |
| Total | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Total Meetings |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 | 0:15 | 0 | 2 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 | 0:54 | 0 | 2 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0:00 | 4 | 1:09 | 0 | 4 |
| | | | | | | | 0:15 |
| | | | | | | | 0:54 |
| | | | | | | | 1:09 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | | |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | |
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

^Report that re-referred inquiries from 40th Parliament

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NATS) (elected Chair-19.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-19.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

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|--|----------|
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.02 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)

Term of appointment

18.11.04-29.11.04

Former substitute members

Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP)*

Term of appointment

30.11.04-1.12.04

**replace Senator Mackay for matters relating to the Defence portfolio*

Former participating members

Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP)

Term of appointment

18.11.04-29.11.04

Inquiry from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 31 December 2004

- Nil

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Estimates

2004-05 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearings were not held in November 2004.

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) (elected Chair-22.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NATS) (elected Deputy Chair-22.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD)* | 9.12.04 |
|------------------------------------|---------|

**replace Senator Ridgeway for inquiry into the effectiveness of the Australian military justice system*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |

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|--|----------|
| Senator Mitch Fifield (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Gavin Marshall (Vic, ALP)

18.11.04-29.11.04

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP)

18.11.04-29.11.04

Inquiries from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Report by the Director of Trials of the Review of Test and Evaluation in Defence (referred 14 May 2003)
- The effectiveness of the Australian military justice system (referred 30 October 2003)

Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41st Parliament

- Report by the Director of Trials of the Review of Test and Evaluation in Defence (referred 14 May 2003)
- The effectiveness of the Australian military justice system (referred 30 October 2003)

Inquiry re-referred

- The effectiveness of Australia's military justice system (re-referred 6 December 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- The effectiveness of Australia's military justice system (re-referred 6 December 2004)
- Australia's relationship with China (referred 8 December 2004)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Australia's relationship with China (referred 8 December 2004)

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report on the references of the 40th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) (tabled 6 December 2004)

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report – Bali 2002: Security threats to Australians in South East Asia (tabled 2 December 2004; report tabled 12 August 2004)

Legal and Constitutional

Legal and Constitutional (16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| | Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41 st Parliament | Matters re-referred and/or referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Legislation | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| References | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 +(1^) | 2 |
| Total | 1 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 3 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|------|------------------|------|---------|------|----------------|------|----------------|-------------|
| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
| Legislation | 1 | 1:56 | 0 | 0:00 | 3 | 0:08 | 0 | 0:00 | 4 | 2:04 |
| References | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:05 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:05 |
| Total | 1 | 1:56 | 0 | 0:00 | 4 | 0:13 | 0 | 0:00 | 5 | 2:09 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | | |
| Legislation | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| References | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Total | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

| | Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------|--------------------|-----------|---------------|----------|---------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| Legislation | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 17 | 65 | 0 | |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Total | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 17 | 65 | 0 | |

^Report that re-referred inquiries from 40th Parliament

Legal and Constitutional Legislation

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) (elected Chair-2.12.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-2.12.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)* | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP)** | 6.12.04 |

**replace Senator Greig for matters relating to the Indigenous Affairs portfolio*

***replace Senator Payne for inquiry into the Copyright Legislation Amendment Bill 2004*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 6.12.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |

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|--|----------|
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgway (NSW, AD) | 6.12.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiry from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 31 December 2004

- Administrative Appeals Tribunal Amendment Bill 2004 (referred 1 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Administrative Appeals Tribunal Amendment Bill 2004 (referred 1 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)
- Disability Discrimination Amendment (Education Standards) Bill 2004 (referred 1 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)
- Copyright Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 (referred 6 December 2004 – through Selection of Bills Committee)

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Copyright Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 – 6 December 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Copyright Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 (tabled 7 December 2004)
- Disability Discrimination Amendment (Education Standards) Bill 2004 (tabled 8 December 2004)

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Estimates

2004-05 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearings were not held in November 2004.

Legal and Constitutional References

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus (SA, ALP) (elected Chair-2.12.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) (elected Deputy Chair-2.12.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Linda Kirk (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD)* | 18.11.04 |
|----------------------------------|----------|

**replace Senator Greig for matters relating to the Indigenous Affairs portfolio*

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 118.11.04 |
| Senator Guy Barnett (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Stephen Conroy (Vic, ALP) | 6.12.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) | 9.12.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Nick Sherry (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Natasha Stott Despoja (SA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiry from the end of the 40th Parliament

- The needs of expatriate Australians (referred 16 October 2003)

Inquiry discharged at the beginning of the 41st Parliament

- The needs of expatriate Australians (referred 16 October 2003)

Inquiry re-referred

- Inquiry into Australian expatriates (re-referred 6 December 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- Inquiry into Australian expatriates (re-referred 6 December 2004)
- Effectiveness and appropriateness of the *Privacy Act 1988* as a means to protect the privacy of Australians (referred 9 December 2004)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Effectiveness and appropriateness of the *Privacy Act 1988* as a means to protect the privacy of Australians (referred 9 December 2004)

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report on the references of the 40th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) (tabled 6 December 2004)

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

**Rural and Regional Affairs
and Transport**

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport (16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| | Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41 st Parliament | Matters re- referred and/or referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| Legislation | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0+(1 [^]) | 2 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 |

| | Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------------------------|------|------------------|------|---------|------|-------------|------|----------------|-------------|
| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
| Legislation | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 3 | 0:36 | 0 | 0:00 | 3 | 0:36 |
| References | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 4 | 0:52 | 0 | 0:00 | 4 | 0:52 |
| Total | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 7 | 1:28 | 0 | 0:00 | 7 | 1:28 |

| | Meetings by State | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|
| | ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Legislation | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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^Report that re-referred inquiries from 40th Parliament

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) (elected Chair-18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair – 18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Cherry (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Hogg (Qld, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiries from the end of the 40th Parliament

- The administration of the Australian Transport Safety Bureau in relation to the crash of Whyalla Airlines aircraft VH-MZK (adopted 25 November 2003)
- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for bananas (adopted 2 March 2004)
- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for apples (adopted 2 March 2004)

Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41st Parliament

- The administration of the Australian Transport Safety Bureau in relation to the crash of Whyalla Airlines aircraft VH-MZK (adopted 25 November 2003)
- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for bananas (adopted 2 March 2004)
- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for apples (adopted 2 March 2004)

Inquiries re-referred

- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for bananas from the Phillipines (re-referred 1 December 2004)
- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for apples from New Zealand (re-referred 1 December 2004)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for bananas from the Phillipines (re-referred 1 December 2004)
- The administration of Biosecurity Australia – Revised draft import risk analysis for apples from New Zealand (re-referred 1 December 2004)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report on the references of the 40th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) (tabled 1 December 2004)

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report – Australian Wool Innovation Limited: Applications and expenditure of funds advanced under Statutory Funding agreement dated 31 December 2000 (tabled 2 December 2004; report tabled 12 February 2004)

Estimates

2004-05 Supplementary Budget Estimates hearings were not held in November 2004.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) (elected Chair – 18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) (elected Deputy Chair – 18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Geoffrey Buckland (SA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry O'Brien (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ursula Stephens (NSW, CL) | 18.11.04 |

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Participating members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Lyn Allison (Vic, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Ron Boswell (Qld, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bob Brown (Tas, AG) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator George Campbell (NSW, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Christopher Evans (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Harradine (Tas, Ind) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Joseph Ludwig (Qld, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Susan Knowles (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Senator Ross Lightfoot (WA, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sue Mackay (Tas, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Brett Mason (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Sandy Macdonald (NSW, NATS) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Jan McLucas (Qld, ALP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Tsebin Tchen (Vic, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Tierney (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator John Watson (Tas, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Ruth Webber (WA, ALP) | 18.11.04 |

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Inquiry from the end of the 40th Parliament

- Nil

Current inquiry

As at 31 December 2004

- Compensation for wheat growers (referred 8 December 2004)

New references

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Compensation for wheat growers (referred 8 December 2004)

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Joint Parliamentary Committees

Australian Crime Commission

Australian Crime Commission

(16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Matters referred during period 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|---|--|--|--|
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Select/Joint | | | |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|------|------------------|------|---------|------|------------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Total Meetings |
| 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:15 | 0 | 1 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | 0:15 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|---------------|---------------|---------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | | | |

Parliamentary Joint Committee on the Australian Crime Commission

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to The Australian Crime Commission Act 2002; appointed 18 November 2004

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator Santo Santoro (Qld, LP) (elected Chair-9.12.04) | 6.12.04 |
| The Hon Duncan Kerr, MP (Denison, Tas, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-9.12.04) | 6.12.04 |
| Senator Kay Denman (Tas, ALP) | 1.12.04 |
| Senator Jeannie Ferris (SA, LP) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Brian Greig (WA, AD) | 29.11.04 |
| Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) | 1.12.04 |
| Mr Anthony Byrne, MP (Holt, Vic, ALP) | 6.12.04 |
| Mrs Joanna Gash, MP (Gilmore, NSW, LP) | 6.12.04 |
| Mr Kym Richardson, MP (Kingston, SA, LP) | 6.12.04 |
| Mr Jason Wood, MP (La Trobe, Vic, LP) | 6.12.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Senator Julian McGauran (Vic, NPA) (NATS) | 29.11.04-6.12.04 |
|---|------------------|

Current inquiry

As at 18 November 2004

- Performance of statutory duties (continuing)

Current inquiry

As at 31 December 2004

- Performance of statutory duties (continuing)

New references

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Public hearings

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Corporations and Financial Services

Corporations & Financial Services

(16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Matters referred during period 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|---|--|--|--|
| 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| Select/Joint | | | |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|------|------------------|------|---------|------|-------------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Total Meetings |
| 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 | 0:55 | 0 | 2 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | 0:55 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD |
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|---------------|---------------|---------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 20 | 0 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | | | |

Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to section 242 of the *Australian Securities and Investments Commission Act 2001*; appointed 18 November 2004

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|---------|
| Senator Grant Chapman (SA, LP) (elected Chair-2.12.04) | 1.12.04 |
| Ms Anna Burke, MP (Chisholm, Vic, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-8.12.04) | 2.12.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) | 1.12.04 |
| Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP) | 1.12.04 |
| Senator Andrew Murray (WA, AD) | 1.12.04 |
| Senator Penny Wong (SA, ALP) | 1.12.04 |
| Mr Kerry Bartlett, MP (Macquarie, NSW, LP) | 6.12.04 |
| Mr Chris Bowen, MP (Prospect, NSW, ALP) | 2.12.04 |
| The Hon Ms Jackie Kelly, MP (Lindsay, NSW, LP) | 6.12.04 |
| Mr Stewart McArthur, MP (Corangamite, Vic, LP) | 6.12.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Current inquiry

As at 18 November 2004

- Performance of statutory duties (continuing)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- Performance of statutory duties (continuing)
- The Australian Accounting Standards tabled in compliance with the *Corporations Act 2001* on 30 August and 16 November 2004 (adopted 2 December 2004)
- Regulation of property investment advice (adopted 8 December 2004)
- Regulation of the time share industry in Australia (adopted 8 December 2004)

New references

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- The Australian Accounting Standards tabled in compliance with the *Corporations Act 2001* on 30 August and 16 November 2004 (adopted 2 December 2004)
- Regulation of property investment advice (adopted 8 December 2004)
- Regulation of the time share industry in Australia (adopted 8 December 2004)

Public hearings

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

**Native Title and the Aboriginal
And Torres Strait Islander
Fund**

Native Title & Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Land Fund

(16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Matters referred during period 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|---|--|--|--|
| 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Select/Joint | | | |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|------|------------------|------|---------|------|-------------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Total Meetings |
| 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 1 | 0:10 | 0 | 1 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | 0:10 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|---------------|---------------|---------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | | | |

Joint Statutory Committee on Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to section 205 of the *Native Title Act 1993*; appointed on 18 November 2004

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|--|----------|
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) (elected Chair-9.12.04) | 29.11.04 |
| Mrs Maria Vamvakinou, MP (Calwell, Vic, ALP) (elected Deputy Chair-9.12.04) | 6.12.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 1.12.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 1.12.04 |
| Senator Meg Lees (SA, APA) | 7.12.04 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP) | 29.11.04 |
| The Hon Robert McMullan (Fraser, ACT, ALP) | 11.8.03 |
| Mr Don Randall, MP (Canning, WA, LP) | 6.12.04 |
| The Hon Mr Peter Slipper, MP (Fisher, Qld, LP) | 6.12.04 |
| Mr David Tollner, MP (Solomon, NT, CLP) | 6.12.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Current inquiry

As at 18 November 2004

- Statutory reporting role (continuing)

Current inquiries

As at 31 December 2004

- Statutory reporting role (continuing)
- Native Title Representative Bodies (re-adopted 9 December 2004)

New references

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Native Title Representative Bodies (re-adopted 9 December 2004)

Public hearings

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Select Committees

Administration of Indigenous Affairs

Administration of Indigenous Affairs

(16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Matters referred during period 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|---|--|--|--|
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Select/Joint | | | |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|------|------------------|------|---------|------|-------------|------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Hrs | Total Meetings |
| 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 | 0:40 | 0 | 0:00 | 2 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | | 0:40 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|--|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | |
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | | |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|---------------|---------------|---------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 17 | 0 |
| Select/Joint | | | | | | | | | |

Select Committee on Administration of Indigenous Affairs

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 16 June 2004; re-appointed 17 November 2004

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator Claire Moore (Qld, ALP) (elected Chair -29.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator David Johnston (WA, LP) (elected Deputy Chair -29.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kim Carr (Vic, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Kerry Nettle (NSW, AG) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Aden Ridgeway (NSW, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Nigel Scullion (NT, CL) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

Current inquiry

As at 17 November 2004

- (b) the provisions of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment Bill 2004;
- (c) the proposed administration of Indigenous programs and services by mainstream departments and agencies; and
- (d) related matters.

Current inquiry

As at 31 December 2004

- (a) the provisions of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment Bill 2004;
- (b) the proposed administration of Indigenous programs and services by mainstream departments and agencies; and
- (c) related matters.

Public hearings

17 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports tabled

17 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

17 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Scrafton Evidence

Scrafton Evidence

(16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004)

| | Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Matters referred during period 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|
| Select/Joint | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----|------------------|-----|---------|-----|------------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/Other | Total Meetings |
| Select/Joint | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 4 | 2:38 | 0 |
| | | | | | | 0:00 | 4 |
| | | | | | | | 2:38 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD |
| Select/Joint | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|---------------|---------------|---------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| Select/Joint | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Select Committee on the Scafton Evidence

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 30 August 2004; re-appointed 18 November 2004

Current members

Date of appointment

| | |
|---|----------|
| Senator Jacinta Collins (Vic, ALP) (elected Chair – 18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator George Brandis (Qld, LP) (elected Deputy Chair – 18.11.04) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Andrew Bartlett (Qld, AD) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP) | 18.11.04 |
| Senator Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) | 18.11.04 |

Former members

Term of appointment

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Senator Robert Ray (Vic, ALP) | 30.8.04-15.11.04 |
|-------------------------------|------------------|

Current inquiry

As at 18 November 2004

- matters arising from the public statements made by former ministerial staffer, Mr Mike Scafton, about the conversations he had with the Prime Minister, Mr Howard, about the ‘children overboard’ affair on 7 November 2001 and the implications of these statements for the findings of the Select Committee on a Certain Maritime Incident.

Public hearings

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- 1 September 2004, Canberra

Reports tabled

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report (tabled 9 December 2004)

Government responses tabled

18 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

**Committee-related
activity in the chamber**

Details of Reports tabled in the Senate and other related matters

Legislation Committees:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled 5 reports (plus 2 reports that re-referred inquiries from the 40th Parliament). The details are as follows:

Bills

Legislation Committees tabled 5 reports (plus 2 reports that re-referred inquiries from the 40th Parliament) on the following Bills:

| Committee | Bills | Tabled |
|------------------|--|---------------|
| EWRE | Workplace Relations Amendment (Agreement Validation) Bill 2004 | 29.11.04 |
| RRAT | ^Report on the references of the 40 th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) | 1.12.04 |
| ECO | <i>Provisions</i> of the Tax Laws Amendment (Superannuation Reporting) Bill 2004 | 7.12.04 |
| ECITA | <i>Provisions</i> of the National Water Commission Bill 2004 | 7.12.04 |
| LC | Copyright Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 | 7.12.04 |
| EWRE | ^Report on the references of the 40 th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) | 8.12.04 |
| LC | Disability Discrimination Amendment (Education Standards) Bill 2004 | 8.12.04 |

^Reports that re-referred inquiries from the 40th Parliament

Estimates reports:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled no reports.

Annual Report reports:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled no reports.

References Committees:

During the reporting period, Senate References Committees tabled 1 report (plus 6 reports that re-referred inquiries from the 40th Parliament). The details are as follows:

| Committee | Report | Tabled |
|------------------|--|---------------|
| CA | ^Report on the references of the 40 th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) | 1.12.04 |
| ECITA | ^Report on the references of the 40 th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) | 1.12.04 |
| FADT | ^Report on the references of the 40 th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) | 6.12.04 |
| LC | ^Report on the references of the 40 th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) | 6.12.04 |
| ECITA | ^Report on the references of the 40 th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) | 8.12.04 |
| EWRE | ^Report on the references of the 40 th Parliament (re-adoption of inquiries) | 8.12.04 |
| ECITA | Turning back the tide – The invasive species challenge: Report on the Regulation, control and management of invasive species and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Invasive Species) Bill 2002 | 8.12.04 |

^Reports that re-referred inquiries from the 40th Parliament

Joint Statutory/Select Committees:

During the reporting period, 1 report was tabled by the Joint Statutory/Select Committees.

| Committee | Report | Tabled |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|
| SE | Report | 9.12.04 |

Government Responses to Committee Reports

The following table shows 2 Government responses to Senate Committee Reports:

| Government response | Date | Committee |
|---|-------------|------------------|
| Report – Australian Wool Innovation Limited: Application and expenditure Of funds advanced under Statutory Funding agreement dated 31.12.00 | 2.12.04 | RRAT |
| Report – Bali 2002: Security threats to Australians in South East Asia | 2.12.04 | FADT |

A complete list of Government responses is produced in the Business of the Senate published half yearly by the Senate Table Office.

Dissenting Reports/Additional Comments/Comments/Reports

| Legislation: | ALP | AD |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Additional Comments | | 1 |
| Comments | 3 | |
| Reports | 1 | |
| Dissenting Reports | | 1 |

| <i>Joint/Select:</i> | <i>LP</i> | <i>AD</i> |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Reports | 2 | |
| Additional Comments | | 1 |

Extension of Time to present Reports

During the reporting period, 2 extensions of time (under a week) were granted to Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office to present reports.

Leave to Meet while the Senate is in session

During the reporting period, Senate Committees were granted to meet while the Senate was in session on 3 occasions.

Change of Membership of Committees

During the reporting period, there were 33 changes to membership to Committees.

Re-appointment of Committees

The Select Committee on the Administration of Indigenous Affairs was re-appointed on 17 November 2004.

The Select Committee on the Scafton Evidence was re-appointed on 18 November 2004.

Other Committees

Regulations and Ordinances

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 23.

Current members

Senator Tchen (Chair), Senators Bartlett, Marshall, Mason, Moore and Santoro.

Former members

Senators Coonan, Brandis, Buckland and Ludwig.

Secretary

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Mr James Warmenhoven | 6277 3066 | 6277 5838 |

Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises delegated legislation to ensure:

that it is in accordance with the statute;

that it does not trespass unduly on personal rights and liberties;

that it does not unduly make the rights and liberties of citizens dependent upon administrative decisions which are not subject to review of their merits by a judicial or other independent tribunal; and

that it does not contain matter more appropriate for parliamentary enactment.

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- nil

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|------------|---|
| Private: | 3 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Total: | 3 |

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| No. of instruments scrutinised | 636 |
| Notices of Motion to Disallow | 4 |
| Notices withdrawn | 2 |
| Notices pending | 2 |

Scrutiny of Bills

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24.

Current members

Senator Ray (Chair), Senator Mason (Deputy Chair), Senators Barnett, Johnston, Marshall and Murray

Secretary

| | | |
|----------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Mr Richard Pye | 6277 3050 | 6277 5838 |

Principles of the committee

The committee scrutinises bills and Acts of Parliament and reports to the Senate whether such bills or Acts, by express words or otherwise:

- trespass unduly on personal rights and liberties;
- make rights, liberties or obligations unduly dependent upon insufficiently defined administrative powers;
- make rights, liberties or obligations unduly dependent upon non-reviewable decisions;
- inappropriately delegate legislative powers; or
- insufficiently subject the exercise of legislative power to parliamentary scrutiny.

Between 16 November 2004 and 31 December 2004 the committee considered 60 bills, and commented on 22 bills in two Alert Digests. The committee also produced two Reports containing correspondence from ministers addressing its concerns.

Alert Digests tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- No. 11 of 2004 (1 December 2004)
- No. 12 of 2004 (8 December 2004)

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Eleventh Report of 2004
- Twelfth Report of 2004

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

Private: 3

Appropriations and Staffing

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 19.

Members

The President (Senator the Hon. Paul Calvert) (Chairman), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon. Robert Hill), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Chris Evans), Senators Allison, Boswell, Faulkner, Ferris, Heffernan and Ray

Secretary

| | | |
|-----------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Mr Neil Bessell | 6277 3015 | 6277 5784 |

Role of the committee

The Standing Committee on Appropriations and Staffing determines the amounts for inclusion in the parliamentary appropriation bills and reports to the Senate on its determinations prior to the Senate's consideration of those bills. The committee also examines matters affecting the staffing and administration of the Department of the Senate, including proposals to vary the staffing structure, and other matters referred to it by the Senate. It makes an annual report to the Senate on the operations of the Senate's appropriations and staffing and related matters (standing order 19(3)). The committee has the explicit capacity to scrutinise security funding and administration and to advise the President and the Senate as appropriate. Under a resolution of the Senate agreed to in 1987 the committee also examines proposed changes in the structure and responsibilities of the parliamentary departments.

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- 41st report

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

Private: 1

House

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 21.

Current members

The President (Senator Calvert) (Chair), the Deputy President (Senator Hogg), Senators Carr, Crossin, Ferris Lightfoot and Stephens

Secretary

| | | |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Phone | Fax |
| Ms Andrea Griffiths | (02) 6277 3398 | (02) 6277 3199 |

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Private: | 0 |
| Public: | 0 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspections: | 0 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Other: | 0 |
| Total: | 0 |

* Sitting jointly with a similar committee of the House of Representatives

Library

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 20.

Current members

The President (Sen the Hon P Calvert), Senators Kirk, Ludwig, Scullion, Tchen, Tierney and Wong.

Secretary

| | | |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Hilary Penfold QC | 6277 7100 | 6277 5417 |

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Private: | 0 |
| Public: | 0 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspections: | 0 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Other: | 0 |
| Total: | 0 |

Privileges

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 18.

Current members (appointed 18 November 2004)

Senator Faulkner (Chair), Senator Knowles (Deputy Chair), Senators Humphries, Johnston, Payne, Ray and Sherry

Secretary

| | | | |
|-----------------|------------|-----------|---------------------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) | e-mail |
| Miss Anne Lynch | 6277 3360 | 6277 3199 | Priv.sen@aph.gov.au |

Current inquiries

1 July 2004 – 15 November 2004

- Whether there was an unauthorised disclosure of the draft report of the Community Affairs References Committee in relation to poverty and financial hardship, and whether any contempt was committed in that regard (*referred 12 May 2004*)
- Whether there was an unauthorised disclosure of the draft report of the Community Affairs References Committee in relation to Hepatitis C and blood supply in Australia, and whether any contempt was committed in that regard (*referred 24 June 2004*)
- Whether there was any unauthorised disclosure of the private deliberations or the draft report of the Select Committee on the Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America, and, if so, whether any contempt was committed in that regard (*referred 5 August 2004*)

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Private: | 3 |
| Public: | |
| In camera: | |
| Inspections: | |
| Briefings: | |
| Other: | |
| Total: | 3 |

Procedure

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 17.

Current members

The Deputy President (Senator J Hogg) (Chair), the President (Senator the Hon P Calvert), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (the Hon R Hill), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator C Evans), Senators Allison, Eggleston, Ellison, Faulkner, Ferguson, and Ray

Secretary

| | | |
|----------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Mr Harry Evans | 6277 3350 | 6277 3199 |

Current inquiry

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- —

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- —

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Private: | 1 |
| Public: | |
| In camera: | |
| Inspections: | |
| Briefings: | |
| Other: | |
| Total: | 1 |

Publications

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22.

Current members

Senators Watson, Chair [appointed 18.11.04], Hutchins [appointed 18.11.04], Johnston [appointed 18.11.04], Kirk [appointed 18.11.04], Marshall [appointed 18.11.04], Moore, Deputy Chair [appointed 18.11.04] and Scullion [appointed 18.11.04]

Secretary

| | | |
|----------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Jan Chapman | 6277 3037 | 6277 3448 |

Public hearings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- 0

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- 1

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Private: | 1 |
| Public: | 0 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspections: | 0 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Other: | 0 |
| Total: | 1 |

Selection of Bills

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Standing Order 24A.

Current members

The Government Whip (Senator Ferris) (Chair), the Opposition Whip (Senator George Campbell), The Nationals Whip (Senator McGauran), the Australian Democrats Whip (Senator Allison) and Senators Eggleston, Ellison, Ludwig and Webber.

Secretary

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|---------------------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Dr Rosemary Laing | 6277 3020 | 6277 3098/6277 3099 |

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report no. 12 of 2004 1 December 2004
- Report no. 13 of 2004 6 December 2004
- Report no. 14 of 2004 8 December 2004

Meetings – All meetings held at Parliament House, Canberra

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Private: | 3 |
| Total: | 3 |

Senators' Interests

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22A.

Current members (appointed 18 November 2004)

Senator Denman (Chair), Senator Lightfoot (Deputy Chair), Senators Allison, Forshaw, Humphries, Kirk, McGauran and Webber

Secretary

| | | | |
|-----------------|------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) | e-mail |
| Miss Anne Lynch | 6277 3360 | 6277 3199 | Senators.interests@aph.gov.au |

Register of Senators' Interests

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Register of Senators' Interests incorporating a statement of interests and notifications of alterations of interests of senators lodged between 19 June and 6 December 2004 (*tabled 8 December 2004*)

Document presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Register of Senate Senior Executive Officers' Interests incorporating notifications of alterations of interests of senior executive officers lodged between 19 June and 6 December 2004 (*tabled 8 December 2004*)

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|-------------|---|
| Private: | 1 |
| Public: | |
| In camera: | |
| Inspection: | |
| Briefings: | |
| Other: | |
| Total: | 1 |

Electoral Matters (Joint Standing)

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 14 February 2002 and agreed to by the Senate on 14 February 2002.

Current members

Mr Tony Smith MP (Chairman), Mr Michael Danby MP (Deputy Chairman), Senator Brandis, Senator Carr, Senator Forshaw, Senator Mason, Senator Murray, Mr Steven Ciobo MP, Mr Daryl Melham MP, Ms Sophie Panopoulos MP.

Secretary

| | | |
|---------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Bev Forbes | 6277 4564 | 6277 4710 |

Current inquiries

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- None

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- None

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- None

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|-------------|---|
| Private: | 1 |
| Public: | 0 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspection: | 0 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Other: | 0 |
| Total: | 1 |

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Joint Standing)

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 14 February 2002, and agreed to by the Senate on 14 February 2002.

Current Members

Senator A Ferguson (Chairman), Mr L Brereton MP (Deputy Chairman), Senators Bartlett (to 18/11/02), Bishop (to 19/8/02), Bolkus, Calvert (to 19/8/02), Cook, Eggleston, Evans, Harradine, Hutchins (from 19/8/02), Johnston (from 22/8/02), JAL Macdonald, O'Brien, Payne, Stott Despoja (from 18/11/02), and Mrs J Gash MP, Ms Moylan MP, Messrs Baird MP, Baldwin MP, Beazley MP, Bevis MP, Byrne MP (from 24/9/02), Edwards MP, LDT Ferguson, MP, Hawker MP, Lindsay MP, Martin MP (to 16/8/02), Nairn MP, Price MP, Prosser MP, Scott MP, Snowdon MP, Somlyay MP, Thompson MP

Secretary

Dr Margot Kerley 6277 4629

Current Inquiries

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Review of the 2003-04 Defence Annual Report

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government Responses

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Watching Brief on the War on Terrorism (Tabled 2 December 2004)

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Private: | 3 |
| Public: | 0 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspections/Briefings | |
| Other (Seminar) | |
| Total: | 3 |

Secretaries of Sub-Committees

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Dr John Carter (Foreign Affair Sub-Committee) | (02) 6277 4306 |
| Mr Pierre Huetter (Trade Sub-Committee) | (02) 6277 4628 |
| Mr Stephen Boyd (Defence Sub-Committee) | (02) 6277 2368 |
| Mr Pierre Huetter (Human Rights Sub-Committee) | (02) 6277 4466 |

Migration (Joint Standing)

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to resolutions of the House of Representatives and the Senate of 18 November 2004.

Current members

Mr Don Randall, MP (Chair), Mrs Julia Irwin MP (Deputy Chair), Senators Andrew Bartlett, Alan Eggleston, Linda Kirk, Tsebin Tchen, and Mr Laurie Ferguson MP, Dr Carmen Lawrence MP, Mr Michael Keenan MP, Dr Andrew Southcott MP.

Secretary

| | | |
|------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Joanne Towner | 6277 4565 | 6277 8506 |

Current inquiry

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Private: | 1 |
| Public: | 0 |
| In camera: | 0 |
| Inspections: | 0 |
| Briefings: | 0 |
| Total meetings: | 1 |

National Capital and External Territories (Joint Standing)

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to resolution of the House of Representatives of 14 February 2002 and the Senate of 15 February 2002.

Current members

Senator Ross Lightfoot (Chairman), Senator Trish Crossin (Deputy Chair), the Deputy President (Senator John Hogg), the Deputy Speaker (Hon I Causley), Senator Kerry O'Brien, Senator Nigel Scullion, Senator Natasha Stott Despoja, Ms Annette Ellis MP, Mr Paul Neville MP, Ms Sophie Panopoulos MP, Mr Patrick Secker MP, Hon Warren Snowdon MP.

Secretary

| | | |
|---------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Bev Forbes | 6277 4564 | 6277 8478 |

Current inquiry

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Inquiry into the adequacy of funding for Australia's Antarctic Program

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Nil

Government responses tabled

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- *Not a Town Centre: The Proposal for Pay Parking in the Parliamentary Zone*

Response presented 29 November 2004.

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|-------------|---|
| Private | 1 |
| Public | 0 |
| Inspections | 0 |
| Briefings | 0 |
| Total | 1 |

Treaties (Joint Standing)

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the House of Representatives and the Senate on 18 November 2004.

Members

Dr A Southcott MP (Chair), Mr K Wilkie MP (Deputy Chair), Senator Collins, Senator Bartlett, Senator Mason, Senator Mackay, Senator Stephens, Senator Santoro, Senator Tchen, Hon D Adams MP, Mr M Johnson MP, Mrs M May MP, Ms S Panopoulos MP, Mr B Ripoll MP, Mr M Turnbull MP, Hon B Scott MP.

Secretary

| | | |
|------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Gillian Gould | 6277 4002 | 6277 2219 |

Current inquiries

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Treaties tabled 7 December 2004
- The proposed agreement between Australia and the United States of America relating to the International Criminal Court

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- 2

ASIO, ASIS and DSD (Joint Statutory)

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Intelligence Services Act 2001.

Members

The Hon David Jull MP (Presiding Member)

Senator Alan Ferguson, Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator Robert Ray;

The Hon Kim Beazley MP; Mr Stewart McArthur MP; and The Hon Duncan Kerr SC MP.

Secretary

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Margaret Swieringa | 6277 4348 | 6277 2067 |

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

• 0

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| Private | 1 |
| Public | 0 |
| In camera | 0 |
| Inspections | 0 |
| Briefings | 0 |
| Other (Private Hearings) | 0 |
| Total | 1 |

Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946.

Current members

The Speaker (The Hon D Hawker MP), the President (Senator The Hon P Calvert), Senators J Ferris and the Hon J Faulkner, Mr B Baldwin MP, Mr K Bartlett MP, Mr P Lindsay MP, Mr John Murphy MP and Ms M Vamvakinou MP

Secretary

| | | |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Claressa Surtees | 6277 4888 | 6277 4204 |

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

-

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

-

Public Accounts and Audit (Joint Statutory)

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit

Pursuant to Public Accounts and Audit Committee Act 1951.

Committee name

Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit

Pursuant to Public Accounts and Audit Committee Act 1951

Membership

Members

Mr Bob Baldwin MP (Chairman)

Ms Sharon Grierson MP (Deputy-Chair)

Mr Russell Broadbent MP

Ms Anna Burke MP

Hon Jackie Kelly MP

Ms Catherine King MP

Mr Andrew Laming MP

Hon Alex Somlyay MP

Mr Lindsay Tanner MP

Mr Ken Ticehurst MP

Senators

Senator John Hogg

Senator Gary Humphries

Senator Claire Moore

Senator Andrew Murray

Senator Nigel Scullion

Senator John Watson

Current inquiries

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Inquiry into Indigenous Law and Justice
- Auditor-General's Reports
 1. Audit Report No. 25, 2003-2004, Performance Audit, Intellectual Property Policies and Practices in Commonwealth Agencies
 2. Audit Report No. 34, 2003-2004, Performance Audit, The Administration of Major Programs, Australian Greenhouse Office
 3. Audit Report No. 36, 2003-2004, Performance Audit, The Commonwealth's Administration of the Dairy Industry Adjustment Authority

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

Nil

Government responses received

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- Report 398, Review of Auditor-General's Reports 2002-2003, Fourth Quarter (presented 24 November 2004)

Meetings/hours

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

Full committee: Twice for a total of 38 minutes

Sectional committees: Nil

Total hours: 38 minutes

Public Works (Joint Statutory)

41st Parliament (16 November 2004 to 31 December 2004)

Appointment

Pursuant to Public Works Act 1969.

Current members

Ms J. Moylan MP (Chair), Mr B. O'Connor MP, (Deputy Chair), Senator A. Ferguson, Senator M. Forshaw, Mr H. Jenkins MP, Mr B. Ripoll MP, Mr J. Forrest MP, Mr B. Wakelin MP, and Senator The Hon Judith Troeth

Secretary

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Phone (02) | Fax (02) |
| Ms Margaret Swieringa | 6277 4348 | 6277 4426 |

Current inquiries

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- **3**
- **Development of Land for Defence Housing at McDowell in Brisbane**
- **Fitout of new leased premises for Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources in Civic, ACT**
- **Maribyrnong Immigration Detention Centre (MIDC) – Additional accommodation and related works**

Reports presented

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

- **5**
- **Proposed development of land at Lee Point, in Darwin, for Defence and private housing**
- **Fit-out of New Leased Premises for the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet at 1 National Circuit, Barton, ACT**
- **Fit-out of New Leased Premises for the Attorney-general's Department at 3-5 National Circuit, Barton, ACT**
- **New east Building for the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, ACT**
- **Development of a New Collection Storage Facility for the National Library of Australia**
-

Meetings

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | |
|-------------|----------|
| Private | 2 |
| Public | 0 |
| Inspections | 0 |
| Total | 2 |

PART FOUR

**Consolidated Statistical Overview
(beginning of the 41st Parliament)**

16 November 2004 - 31 December 2004

16 November 2004 – 31 December 2004 (beginning of 41st Parliament)

| | Inquiries from the end of the 40 th Parliament | Inquiries discharged at the beginning of the 41 st Parliament | Matters re-referred and/or referred during period (including estimates and annual reports) 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|---|
| Legislation | 6 | 6 | 13 | 5 +(2 [^]) | 8 |
| References | 14 | 14 | 17 | 1 +(6 [^]) | 16 |
| Select/Joint | 0 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 8 |
| Total | 20 | 20 | 39 | 7 | 32 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|------|------------------|------|---------|-------|----------------|------|----------------|-------------|
| | Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
| Legislation | 3 | 7:37 | 0 | 0:00 | 23 | 3:27 | 0 | 0:00 | 26 | 11:04 |
| References | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 17 | 5:36 | 0 | 0:00 | 17 | 5:36 |
| Select/Joint | 0 | 0:00 | 0 | 0:00 | 10 | 4:38 | 0 | 0:00 | 10 | 4:38 |
| Total | 3 | 7:37 | 0 | 0:00 | 50 | 13:41 | 0 | 0:00 | 53 | 21:18 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD |
| Legislation | 25 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Select/Joint | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 52 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| | Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------|--------------------|-----------|---------------|----------|---------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| Legislation | 1 | 0 | 21 | 4 | 0 | 77 | 15 | 38 | 222 | 1 |
| References | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 135 | 1 |
| Select/Joint | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 37 | 0 |
| Total | 1 | 0 | 21 | 4 | 0 | 77 | 15 | 58 | 394 | 2 |

***Reports that did not discharge a reference; ^Reports that re-referred inquiries from 40th Parliament**

PART FIVE

Consolidated Statistical Overview (Half Year)

1 July 2004 - 31 December 2004

Statistical Overview of Committees Administered by the Senate Committee Office

1 July 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | Matters current as at 1 July 2004 | Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports) 40 th Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 40 th Parliament | Inquiries discharged or ceased as at 31 August and at the end of the 40 th Parliament | Matters current as at beginning of 41 st Parliament | Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports) 41 st Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference 41 st Parliament | Current inquiries as at 31 December 2004 |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| Legislation | 16 | 13 | 23+(2*) | 6 | 0 | 13 | 5+(2^) | 8 |
| References | 23 | 0 | 9+(10*) | 14 | 0 | 17 | 1+(6^) | 16 |
| Select/Joint | 7 | 1 | 2+(2*) | 6 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 8 |
| Total | 46 | 14 | 34 | 26 | 0 | 39 | 7 | 32 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Total Meetings |
| Legislation | 15 | 0 | 0:00 | 48 | 15:06 | 0 | 63 |
| References | 22 | 0 | 0:00 | 45 | 23:16 | 2 | 69 |
| Select/Joint | 9 | 0 | 0:00 | 23 | 13:31 | 0 | 32 |
| Total | 46 | 0 | 0:00 | 116 | 51:53 | 2 | 164 |
| | | | | | | | 230:36 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD |
| Legislation | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| References | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Select/Joint | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| Total | 6 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 3 |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|-----------|---------------|------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| Legislation | 9 | 0 | 145 | 9 | 560 | 34 | 265 | 1700 | 2 |
| References | 13 | 0 | 0 | 171 | 0 | 1328 | 298 | 3706 | 3 |
| Select/Joint | 1 | 0 | 0 | 114 | 0 | 707 | 239 | 1914 | 0 |
| Total | 23 | 0 | 145 | 294 | 560 | 2069 | 802 | 7320 | 5 |

*Reports that did not discharge a reference; ^Reports that re-referred inquiries from 40th Parliament

PART SIX

Consolidated Statistical Overview (Year)

1 January 2004 - 31 December 2004

Statistical Overview of Committees Administered by the Senate Committee Office

1 January 2004 – 31 December 2004

| | Matters current as at 1 January | Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports) | Inquiries discharged or ceased at the end of the 40 th Parliament | Reports tabled that discharged a reference | Current inquiries as at 31 December |
|--------------|---------------------------------|---|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| Legislation | 11 | 85 | 6 | 82 + (2*, 1**, 2^) | 8 |
| References | 22 | 25 | 14 | 17 + (10*, 2**, 6^) | 16 |
| Select/Joint | 10 | 15 | 6 | 11 + (4*, 3**) | 8 |
| Total | 43 | 125 | 26 | 110 | 32 |

| Number and Hours of Meeting | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------------|-----------|---------------|------------|---------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|
| Public | Hrs | Public Estimates | Hrs | Private | Hrs | Insp/ Other | Hrs | Total Meetings | Total Hours |
| Legislation | 54 | 167:27 | 53 | 516:42 | 143 | 41:36 | 0 | 0:00 | 725:45 |
| References | 73 | 323:23 | 0 | 0:00 | 113 | 69:48 | 17 | 37:50 | 431:01 |
| Select/Joint | 42 | 213:16 | 0 | 0:00 | 78 | 35:24 | 0 | 0:00 | 248:40 |
| Total | 169 | 704:06 | 53 | 516:42 | 334 | 146:48 | 17 | 37:50 | 1405:26 |

| Meetings by State | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|--|--|
| ACT | NSW | VIC | TAS | SA | WA | NT | QLD | | |
| Legislation | 9 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | | |
| References | 16 | 14 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 12 | | |
| Select/Joint | 6 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 4 | | |
| Total | 31 | 26 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 19 | | |

| Televised Hearings | Witnesses | | | Hansard pages | | | No of Submissions | No. of Pages | Government Responses |
|--------------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | Estimates | Other (Bills) | General | | | |
| Legislation | 84 | 3003 | 443 | 114 | 5964 | 1550 | 1414 | 7184 | 2 |
| References | 23 | 0 | 8 | 691 | 0 | 49 | 2710 | 20629 | 5 |
| Select/Joint | 20 | 0 | 40 | 434 | 0 | 275 | 931 | 5038 | 1 |
| Total | 127 | 3003 | 491 | 1239 | 5964 | 1874 | 5055 | 32851 | 8 |

*Reports that did not discharge a reference; **Additional reports tabled that discharged references ^Reports that re-referred inquiries from 40th Parliament

