

Appropriations and Staffing (Standing)

1 July 2009 to 31 December 2009

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 19.

Members

The President (Senator the Hon J Hogg) (Chair), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon C Evans), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator the Hon N Minchin), and Senators Faulkner, Lundy, Parry, Sherry, Williams and Xenophon

Former Members

Senator the Hon A Ferguson (Chair—to 26.08.08)

Senator Murray

Senator Nash

Secretary

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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

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- Annual report for 2008–09 (tabled 20 August 2009)
- 48th report—Appointment of the Clerk of the Senate (tabled 26 November 2009)

Meetings

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