

PART SIX

**1 July 2010–27 September 2010
(remainder of the 42nd Parliament)**

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

Community Affairs

Community Affairs

1 July 2010 - 27 September 2010

	Matters current as at 1 July 2010	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 27 September 2010
Legislation	6	0	6	0
References	4	0	4	0
Total	10	0	10	0

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	2	0:14	0	0:00	2	0:14
References	0	0:00	0	0:00	2	0:29	0	0:00	2	0:29
Total	0	0:00	0	0:00	4	0:43	0	0:00	4	0:43

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General	Estimates	Other (Bills)	General			
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	235	0
References	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	540	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	775	0

Community Affairs (Legislation)

42nd Parliament (1 July 2010 to 27 September 2010)

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 14.05.09)</i>	14.05.09
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 14.05.09)</i>	14.05.09
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	14.05.09

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Jacinta Collins (VIC, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator David Feeney (VIC, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	14.05.09
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	14.05.09

Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	14.05.09
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	14.05.09
Senator Kate Lundy (ACT, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Jan McLucas (QLD, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	14.05.09
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	14.05.09
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	14.05.09
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	14.05.09
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	14.05.09

Former participating member

Term of appointment

Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)

02.02.10–10.03.10

Former substitute members	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) ¹	02.02.10–10.03.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP) ²	22.10.09–23.10.09
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP) ³	10.02.10–12.02.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP) ⁴	04.06.10–04.06.10
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP) ⁵	21.10.09–21.10.09

Inquiries

As at 1 July 2010

- Poker Machine (Reduced Losses—Interim Measures) Bill 2009 and Protecting Problem Gamblers Bill 2009 (referred 19 November 2009—through the Selection of Bills Committee)
- Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Palm Oil) Bill 2009 (referred 26 November 2009—through the Selection of Bills Committee)
- Plain Tobacco Packaging (Removing Branding from Cigarette Packs) Bill 2009 (referred 26 November 2009—through the Selection of Bills Committee)
- Responsible Takeaway Alcohol Hours Bill 2010 (referred 13 May 2010—through the Selection of Bills Committee)
- National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme) Bill 2010 [Provisions] (referred 16 June 2010—through the Selection of Bills Committee)
- National Health and Hospitals Network Bill 2010 [Provisions] (referred 24 June 2010—through the Selection of Bills Committee)

Current inquiries

As at 27 September 2010

- Nil

New references

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Nil

¹ Replaced Senator Carol Brown for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform and Reinstatement of Racial Discrimination Act) Bill 2009 and related bills

² Replaced Senator Furner for the consideration of the 2009–10 supplementary Budget estimates on 22 October and 23 October 2009

³ Replaced Senator Carol Brown for the committee's consideration of the 2009–10 additional estimates from 10 February to 12 February 2010

⁴ Replaced Senator Boyce for the consideration of the 2010–11 Budget estimates on 4 June 2010

⁵ Replaced Senator Furner for the consideration of the 2009–10 supplementary Budget estimates on 21 October 2009

Public hearings

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- National Health and Hospitals Network Bill 2010 [Provisions] (presented out of session on 24 August 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)
- Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Palm Oil) Bill 2009 (presented out of session on 26 August 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)
- National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme) Bill 2010 [Provisions] (presented out of session on 26 August 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)
- Plain Tobacco Packaging (Removing Branding from Cigarette Packs) Bill 2009 (presented out of session on 26 August 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)
- Poker Machine (Reduced Losses—Interim Measures) Bill 2009 and Protecting Problem Gamblers Bill 2009 (presented out of session on 26 August 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)
- Responsible Takeaway Alcohol Hours Bill 2010 (presented out of session on 26 August 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)

Government responses

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Nil

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Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	02.02.10

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Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	14.05.09
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Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	14.05.09

Former member

Term of appointment

Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS) 14.05.09–02.02.10

Former participating member

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) 14.05.09–02.02.10

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Don Farrell (SA, ALP)¹

17.03.09–25.06.09

Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)²

10.02.10–12.02.10

Inquiries

As at 1 July 2010

- Impact of gene patents on the provision of healthcare in Australia (referred 11 November 2008; re-referred by committee 13 May 2009)
- Consumer access to pharmaceutical benefits and the creation of new therapeutic groups through the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) (referred 25 November 2009)
- Access to planning options and services for people ageing with a disability (referred 25 November 2009)
- The prevalence of interactive and online gambling in Australia (referred 24 June 2010)

Current inquiries

As at 27 September 2010

- Nil

New references

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Nil

Public hearings

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Impact of gene patents on the provision of healthcare in Australia (presented out of session on 26 August 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)
- Planning options and services for people ageing with a disability (presented out of session on 2 September 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)
- Prevalence of interactive and online gambling in Australia (presented out of session on 2 September 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)

¹ Replaced Senator Bilyk for the committee's inquiry into the implementation of recommendations of committee reports on child migration and Australians who experienced institutional or out-of-home care as children.

² Replaced Senator Carol Brown from 10 February to 12 February 2010

- Consumer access to pharmaceutical benefits (presented out of session on 26 August 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)

Government responses

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Nil