

**Rural and Regional Affairs
and Transport**

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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	1	0	1	0
References	3	0	2 + (1**)	1
Total	4	0	3	1

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	1	2:15	0	0:00	2	2:41	0	0:00	3	4:56
Total	1	2:15	0	0:00	2	2:41	0	0:00	3	4:56

Meetings By State

	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses

	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	28	168	0
References	0	0	0	8	0	0	49	52	405	0
Total	0	0	0	8	0	0	49	80	573	0

** includes 1 Interim report that did not discharge a reference

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport (Legislation)

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

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 14.05.09)</i>	14.05.09
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 14.05.09)</i>	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	14.05.09

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Judith Adams (WA, 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 Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	14.05.09
Senator Carol 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 Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	14.05.09
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	14.05.09
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	14.05.09
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, 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 Claire Moore (QLD, 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 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 substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)¹
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)²

08.02.10–08.02.10
14.05.09–15.06.09

Former participating member

Term of appointment

Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)

14.05.09–15.06.09

Inquiries

As at 1 July 2010

- Airports Amendment 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

Public hearings

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Nil

Reports tabled

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Airports Amendment Bill 2010 [Provisions] (presented out of session on 24 August 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)

Government responses

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Nil

¹ Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's consideration of the 2009–10 additional estimates on 8 February 2010

² Replaced Senator Siewert for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Nation Building Program (National Land Transport) Amendment Bill 2009

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Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	14.05.09
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	16.03.10
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Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP) ¹	13.08.09–18.12.09
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP) ²	16.03.10–02.07.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) ³	09.06.09–10.06.09

¹ Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into rural and regional access to secondary and tertiary education opportunities

² Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into the management of aircraft noise by Airservices Australia

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP) ⁴	12.02.09–25.06.09
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ⁵	20.08.09–14.09.09
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁶	18.06.09–18.12.09
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁷	17.09.09–27.10.09
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ⁸	14.05.09–25.06.09
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ⁹	14.05.09–04.02.10

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	20.08.09–14.09.09
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	14.05.09–25.06.09
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	14.05.09–04.02.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	17.06.09–27.10.09
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	18.06.09–18.12.09

Inquiries

As at 1 July 2010

- Australian horse industry and an emergency animal disease response agreement (referred 17 June 2010)
- Biosecurity and quarantine arrangements (referred 23 June 2010)
- Import risk analysis process for the proposed importation of Chinese apples; and the protocols relating to the Australia/United States of America cherry trade (referred 24 June 2010)

Current inquiries

As at 27 September 2010

- Biosecurity and quarantine arrangements (referred 23 June 2010)

New references

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Nil

³ Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into public passenger transport in Australia for 9 and 10 June 2009

⁴ Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into the establishment of an Australian Football League team in Tasmania

⁵ Replaced Senator McGauran for the committee's inquiry into the removal of the fee rebate for the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service export certification functions

⁶ Replaced Senator Milne for the committee's inquiry into rural and regional access to secondary and tertiary education opportunities

⁷ Replaced Senator Milne for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support for Students) Bill 2009

⁸ Replaced Senator Milne for the committee's inquiry into the management of the Murray-Darling Basin system

⁹ Replaced Senator Milne for the committee's inquiry into natural resource management and conservation challenges

Public hearings

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Import risk analysis process for the proposed importation of Chinese apples; and the protocols relating to the Australia/United States of America cherry trade—1 July 2010, Sydney

Reports tabled

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- The effectiveness of Airservices Australia's management of aircraft noise—Final Report (presented out of session on 2 July 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)
- Biosecurity for Chinese apples and the Australia-US cherry trade—Interim Report (presented out of session on 30 July 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)
- Australian horse industry and an emergency animal disease response agreement (presented out of session on 30 August 2010; tabled 28 September 2010)

Government responses

1 July 2010–27 September 2010

- Nil