

WORK OF COMMITTEES

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Half-Year Statistics: 1 July 2011–31 December 2011

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

- the half year (1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011); and
- the calendar year (1 January 2011 to 31 December 2011)

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

ACLEI	Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity
FOOD PROCESSING	Australia's Food Processing Sector
IMMIGRATION	Australia's Immigration Detention Network
CA	Community Affairs
CFS	Corporations and Financial Services
ECO	Economics
EEWR	Education, Employment and Workplace Relations
EC	Environment and Communications
FADT	Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
FPA	Finance and Public Administration
GAMBLING	Gambling Reform
LCA	Legal and Constitutional Affairs
LE	Law Enforcement
RAT	Rural Affairs and Transport
NEW TAXES	Scrutiny of New Taxes

Political Affiliations

AG	Australian Greens
ALP	Australian Labor Party
CLP	Country Liberal Party
DLP	Democratic Labor Party
IND	Independent
LP	Liberal Party of Australia
NATS	The Nationals

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Other publications available from the Committee Office:

- Committee Reports*
- Consolidated Register of Senate Committee Reports (1970–2010)
<http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/register/report/index.htm>
- The First 20 Years (History of Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees 1970–1990)
- Business of Committees (Program of committee public hearings held in Canberra and/or interstate) <http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/red.htm>
- Public Hearings/Meetings list (list of all forthcoming public hearings and is published every Friday)
<http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/hearings/index.htm>
- Bills to Committees Update (providing details on the progress of legislation through Senate committees)
<http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/bills/update.htm>

- Information pamphlets

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| No. 1 | Notes to assist in the preparation of submissions to Senate Committee inquiries http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/wit_sub/bro_one.htm |
| No. 2 | Information for witnesses appearing before Senate Committees (general information and notes to assist with the preparation of oral evidence before Senate committees)
http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/wit_sub/bro_two.htm |
| 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)
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| No. 4 | Government Guidelines for official witnesses before Parliamentary Committees and related matters (Extract)
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** a selection of reports presented prior to June 1997 and all reports tabled thereafter are available on the Internet*

DIRECTORY OF COMMITTEES

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Administered</i>	<i>Phone (02)</i>	<i>Fax (02)</i>
Appropriations and Staffing	Standing	S	6277 3015	6277 5784
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5794
Australia's Immigration Detention Network	Joint Select	S	6277 3521	6277 5706
Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4888	6277 4204
Community Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3518	6277 5829
Corporations and Financial Services	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3583	6277 5719
Cyber-Safety	Joint Select	H	6277 4642	6277 2219
Economics*	LGPS	S	6277 3540	6277 5719
Electoral Matters	Joint	H	6277 4564	6277 4710
Education, Employment and Workplace Relations*	LGPS	S	6277 3521	6277 5706
Environment and Communications*	LGPS	S	6277 3526	6277 5818
Finance and Public Administration*	LGPS	S	6277 3439	6277 5809
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	Joint	H	6277 4629	6277 2221
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade*	LGPS	S	6277 3535	6277 5818
Gambling Reform	Joint Select	S	6277 3433	6277 5952
House	Standing	S	6277 3398	6277 3199
Intelligence and Security	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4629	6277 2067
Law Enforcement	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5794
Legal and Constitutional Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3594	6277 5794
Migration	Joint	H	6277 4642	6277 4827
National Capital and External Territories	Joint	H	6277 4564	6277 8478
Parliamentary Library	Joint	DPS	6277 7102	6277 2403
Privileges	Standing	S	6277 3360	6277 3199
Procedure	Standing	S	6277 3350	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 5784
Regulations and Ordinances	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3066	6277 5881
	Standing			
Rural Affairs and Transport*	LGPS	S	6277 3511	6277 5811
Scrutiny of Bills	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3051	6277 5881
	Standing			
Scrutiny of New Taxes	Select	S	6277 3220	6277 5719
Selection of Bills	Standing	S	6277 3020	6277 3098
Senators' Interests	Standing	S	6277 3360	6277 3199
Treaties	Joint	H	6277 4642	6277 2219

Code

H Department of the House of Representatives

DPS Department of the Parliamentary Services

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 Joint Statutory Committees; and
- Senate Select Committees and three Joint Select Committees

Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees

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

Community Affairs

- Legislation
- References
- Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs
- Health and Ageing
- Human Services

Economics

- Legislation
- References
- Innovation, Industry, Science and Research
- Resources, Energy and Tourism
- Treasury

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

- Legislation
- References
- Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

Environment and Communications

- Legislation
- References
- Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy
- Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
- Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities

Finance and Public Administration

- Legislation
- References
- Finance and Deregulation
- Parliament
- Prime Minister and Cabinet (including Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government)

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

- Legislation
- References
- Defence (including Veterans' Affairs)
- Foreign Affairs and Trade

Legal and Constitutional Affairs

- Legislation
- References
- Attorney-General
- Immigration and Citizenship

Rural Affairs and Transport

- Legislation
- References
- Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
- Infrastructure and Transport

Joint Statutory Committees

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

- Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity
- Corporations and Financial Services, and
- Law Enforcement

Senate Select Committees

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

- Australia's Food Processing Sector (appointed 24 March 2011)
- Scrutiny of New Taxes (appointed 30 September 2010)

Joint Select Committee

- Australia's Immigration Detention Network (appointed 16 June 2011)
- Gambling Reform (appointed 30 September 2010)

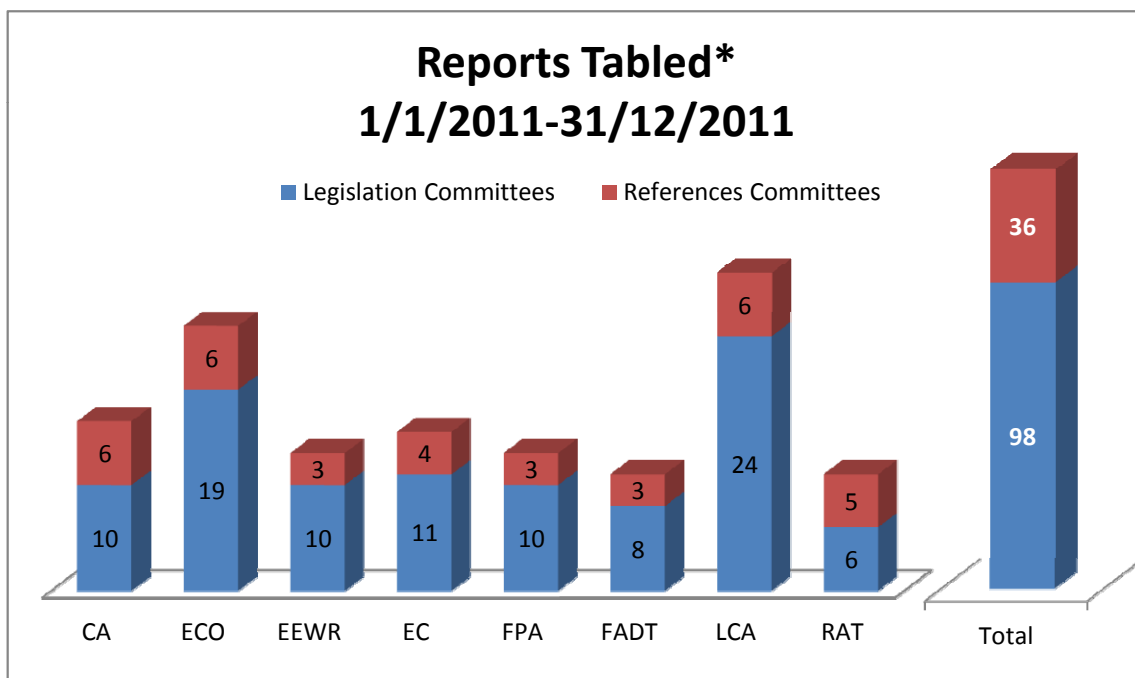
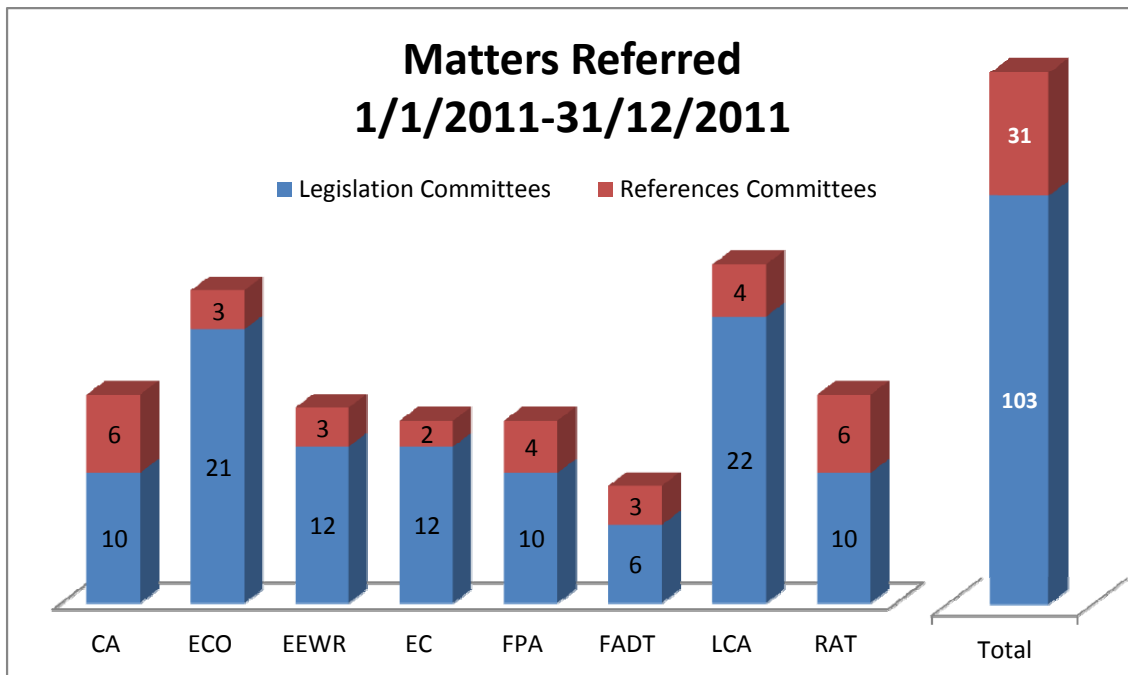
PART ONE

Legislation and References Committees at a glance

1 January 2011–31 December 2011

Senate Committees at a glance

Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees



**These figures only include tabled reports that discharged a reference*

CA (Community Affairs), ECO (Economics), EEWR (Education, Employment & Workplace Relations), EC (Environment & Communications), FPA (Finance & Public Administration), FADT (Foreign Affairs, Defence & Trade), LCA (Legal & Constitutional Affairs), RAT (Rural Affairs & Transport)

PART TWO

Consolidated Statistical Overview (Year)

1 January 2011–31 December 2011

Statistical Overview of Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office: 1 January 2011–31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 January 2011	Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Legislation	14	103 (A)	98 + (8**) (B)	19
References	18	31 (A)	35 + 1^ + (26**) (B)	13
Select/Joint	11	12	11 +(7**)	13
Total	43	146	144 + 1^	45

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/ Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	53	211:24	68	680:54	201	31:20	0	0:00	322	923:38
References	99	489:42	0	0:00	229	73:20	8	6:40	336	569:42
Select/Joint	71	278:14	0	0:00	137	62:10	14	27:07	222	367:31
Total	223	979:20	68	680:54	567	166:50	22	33:47	880	1860:51

Meetings by State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	305	4	7	1	0	2	0	3
References	288	11	14	2	7	4	2	8
Select/Joint	154	24	9	1	3	15	9	7
Total	747	39	30	4	10	21	11	18

	Televised Hearings	Witnesses			Hansard pages			No of Submissions	No. of Pages	Government Responses
		Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	110	3671	608	3	8356	2128	17	1686	15310	9
References	67	0	0	1499	0	0	5783	5118#	44938	30
Select/Joint	37	0	31	688	0	82	3471	711	9822	1
Total	214	3671	639	2190	8356	2210	9271	7515#	70070	40

(A) 16 Annual Reports; 16 Estimates references; 72 Individual/Packages of Bills; 30 references

(B) 16 Reports on Annual Reports; 16 Estimates Reports; 66 bills reports; 35 references reports; 1 legislation matter report

** Reports that did not discharge a reference

submission total does not include 68 form letters received by the Environment and Communications Committee for the Recent ABC programming decisions inquiry

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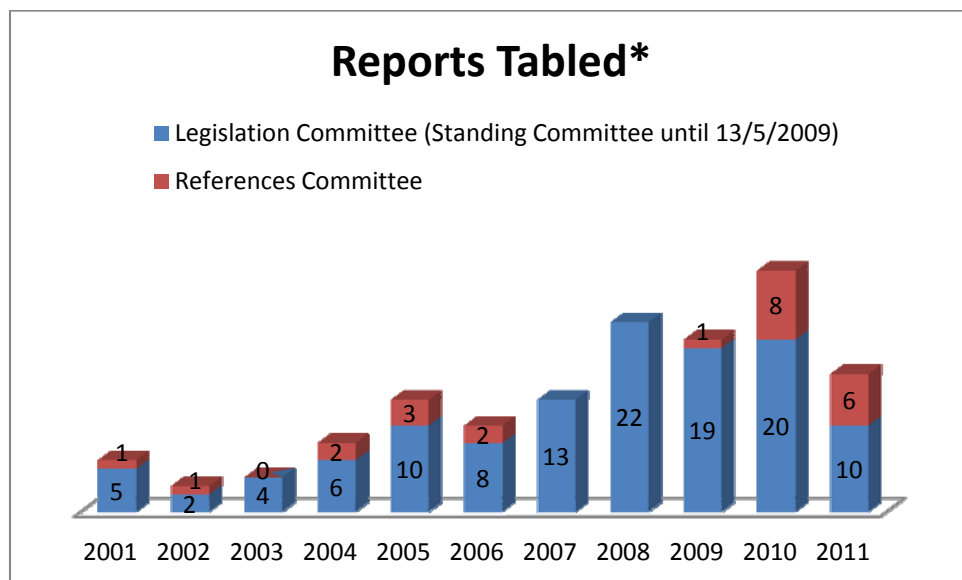
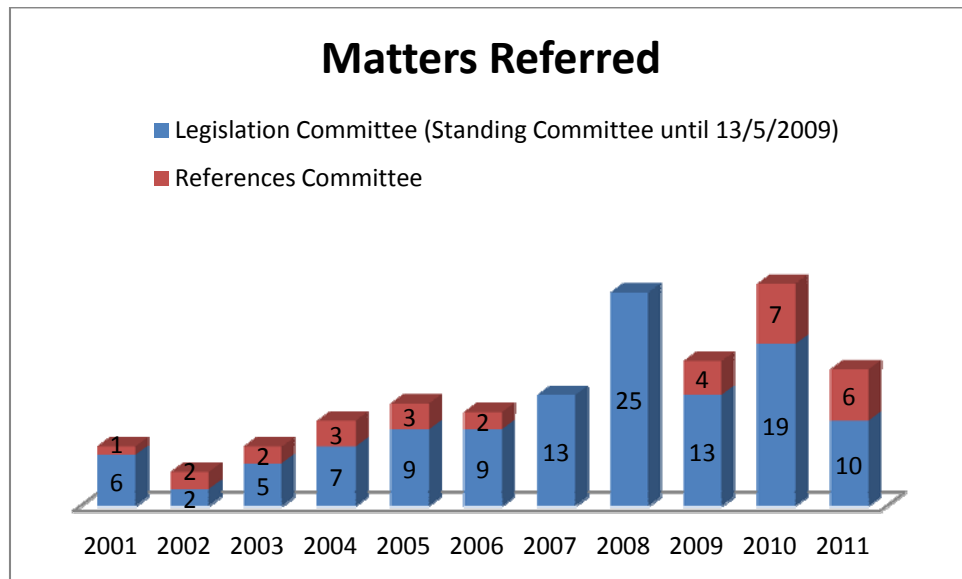
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Matters Referred and Reports Tabled Annually (By Committee)

1/1/2001–31/12/2011

Community Affairs Legislation & References Committee

**Matters Referred and Reports Tabled Annually
1/1/2001–31/12/2011**

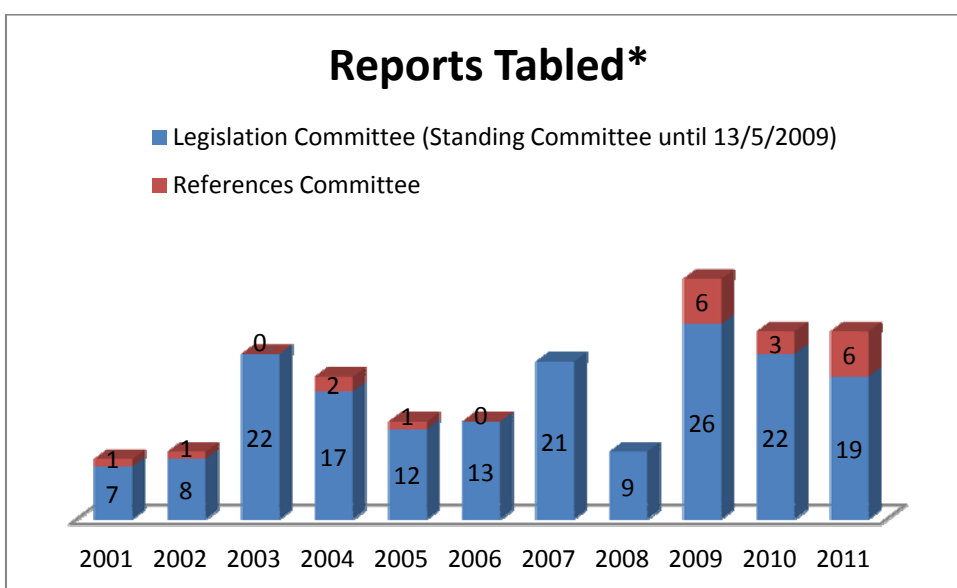
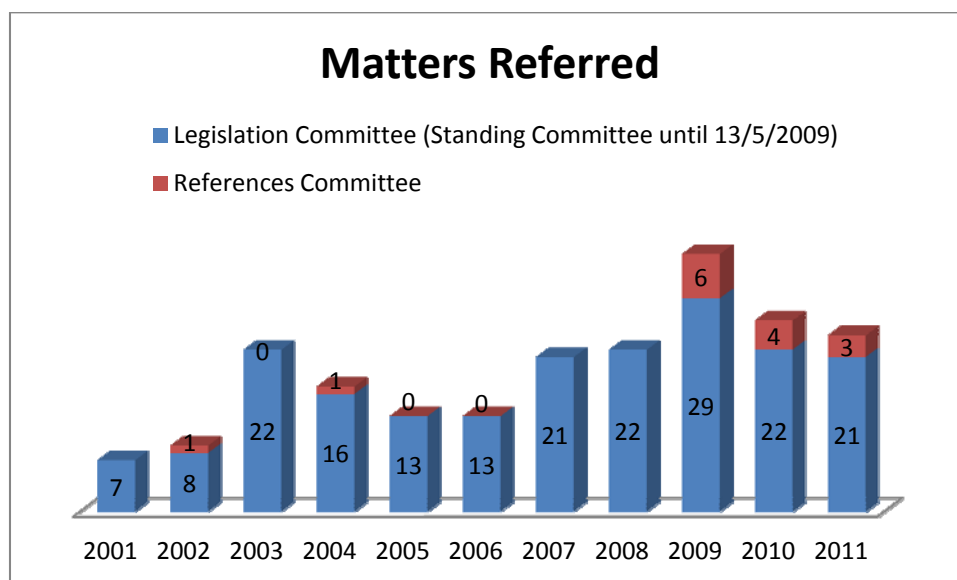


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Economics

Legislation & References Committee

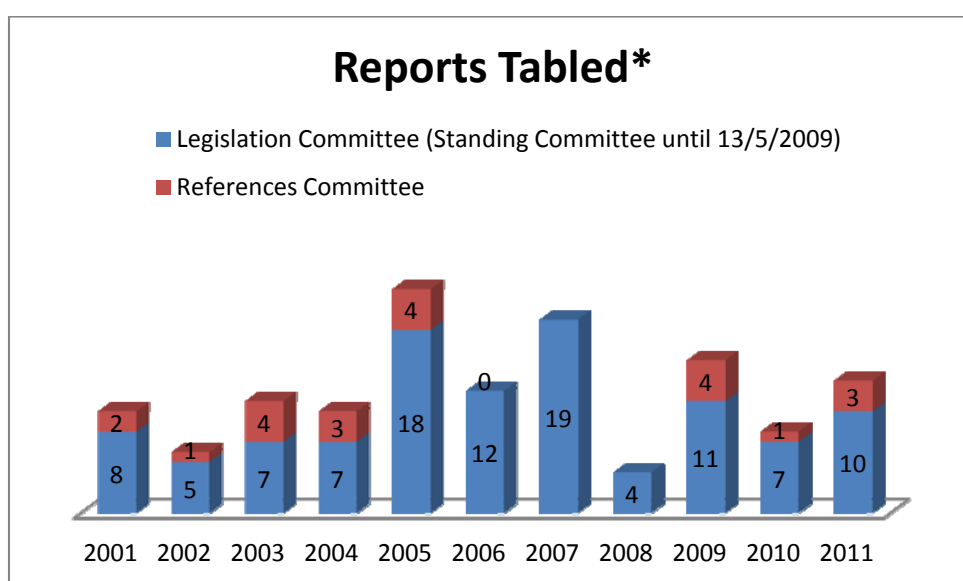
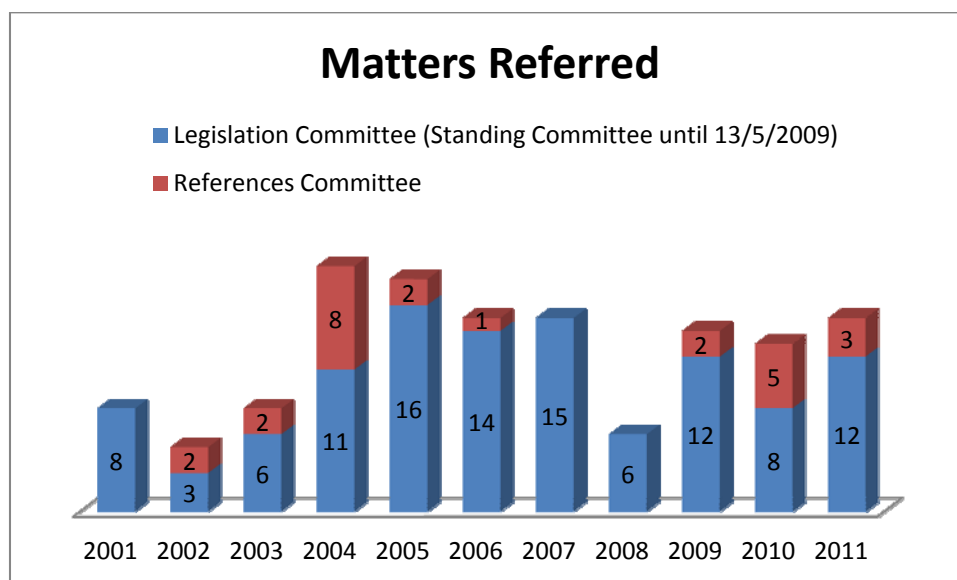
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Education, Employment & Workplace Relations Legislation & References Committee

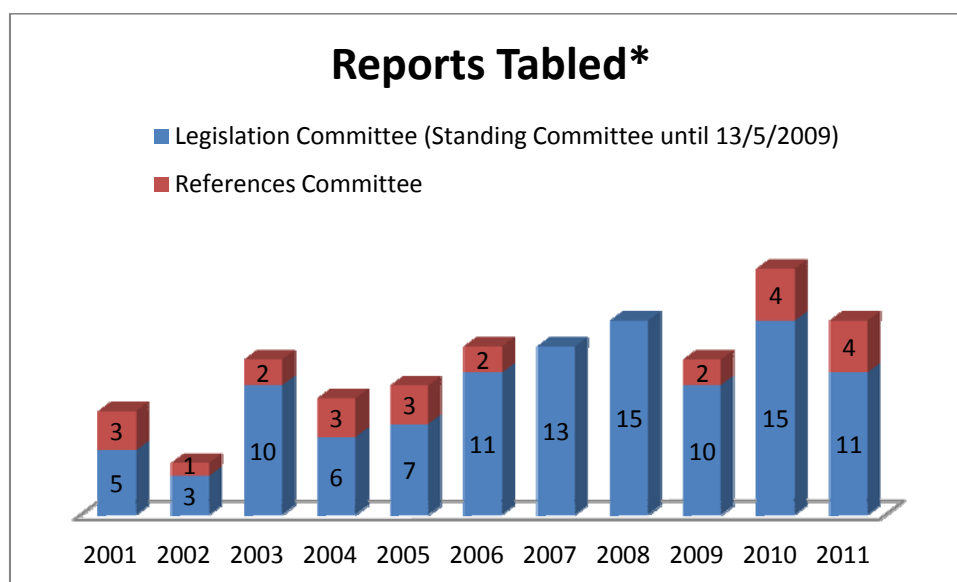
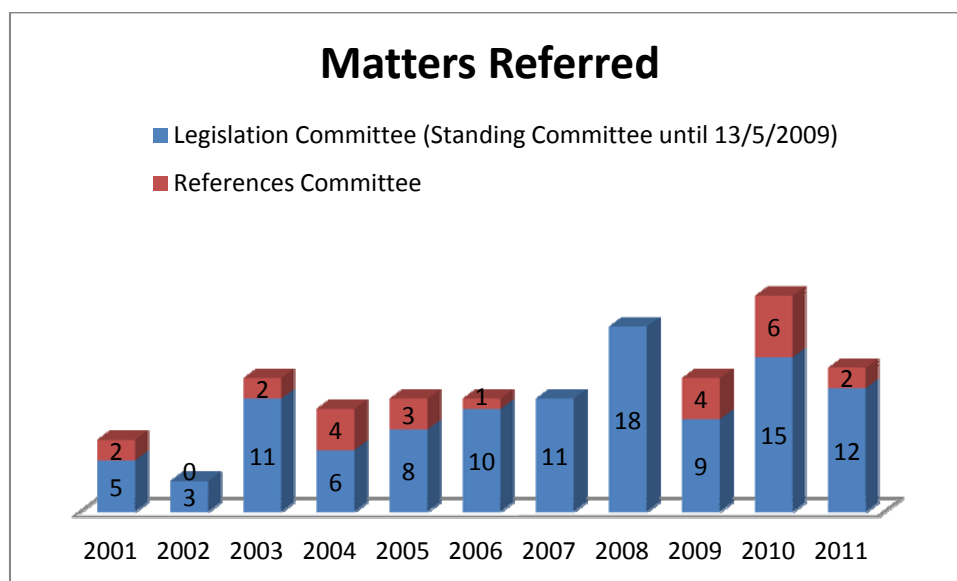
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Environment & Communications Legislation & References Committee

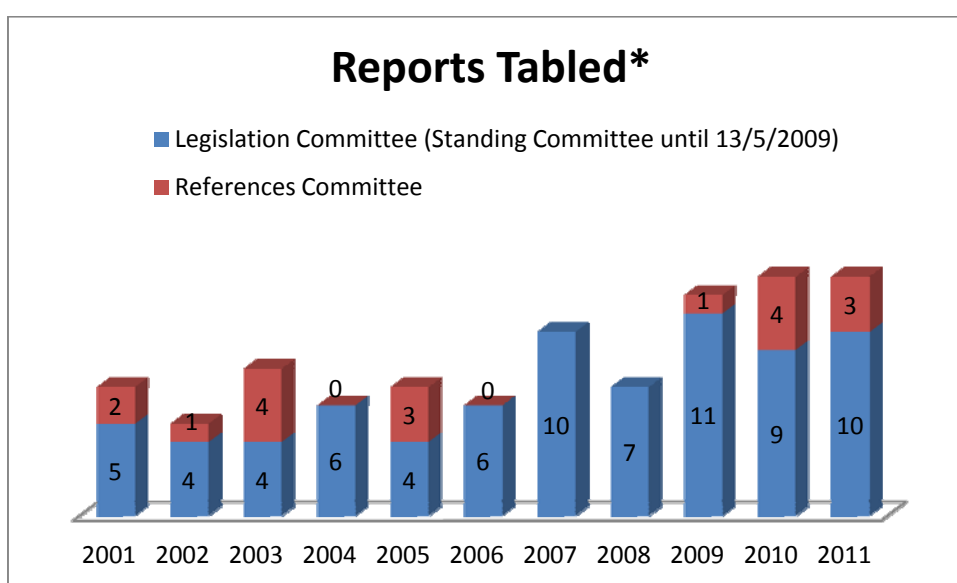
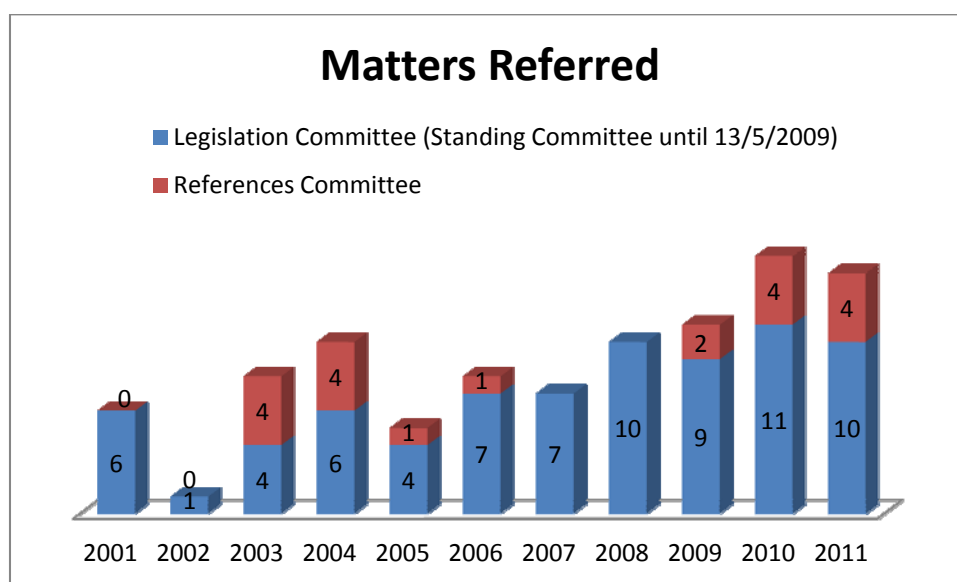
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Finance & Public Administration Legislation & References Committee

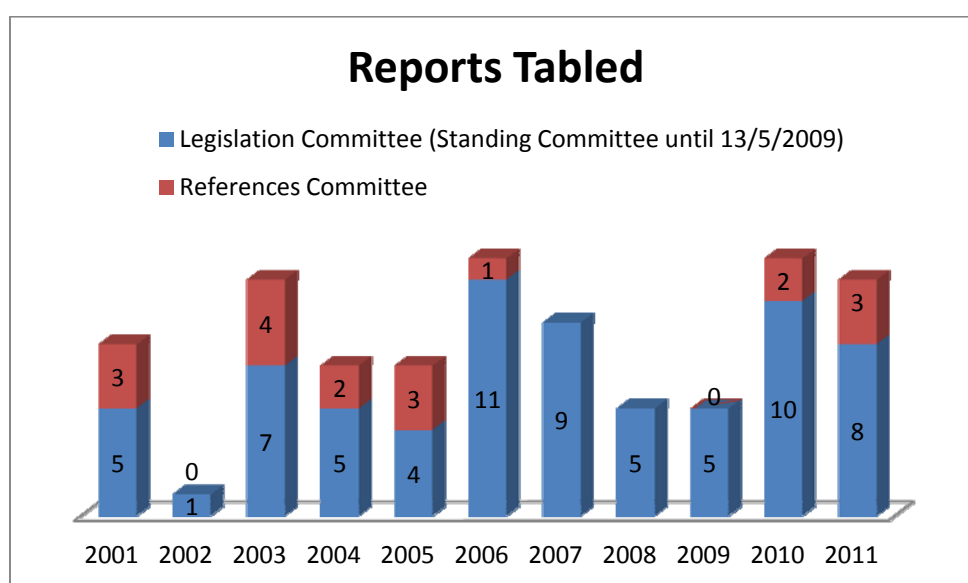
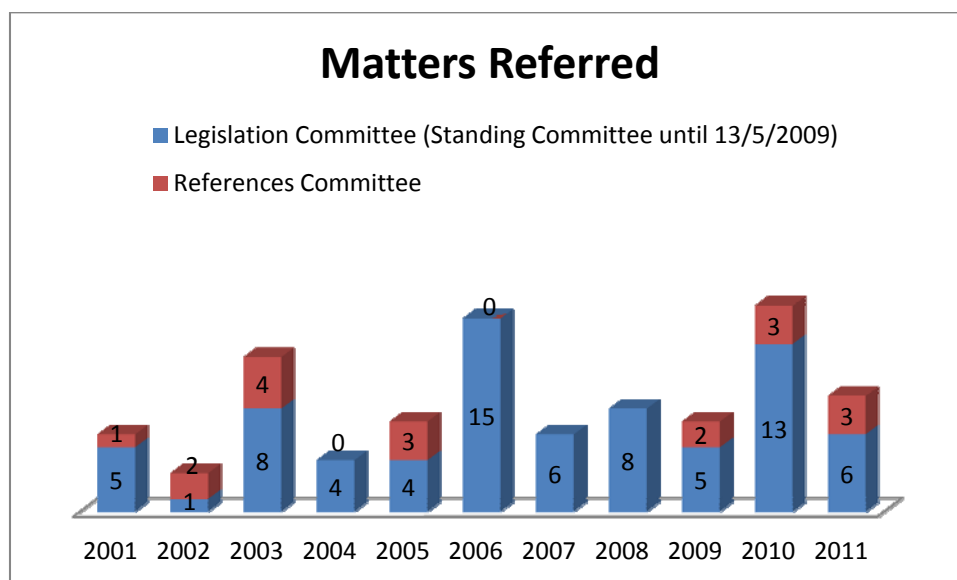
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Foreign Affairs, Defence & Trade Legislation & References Committee

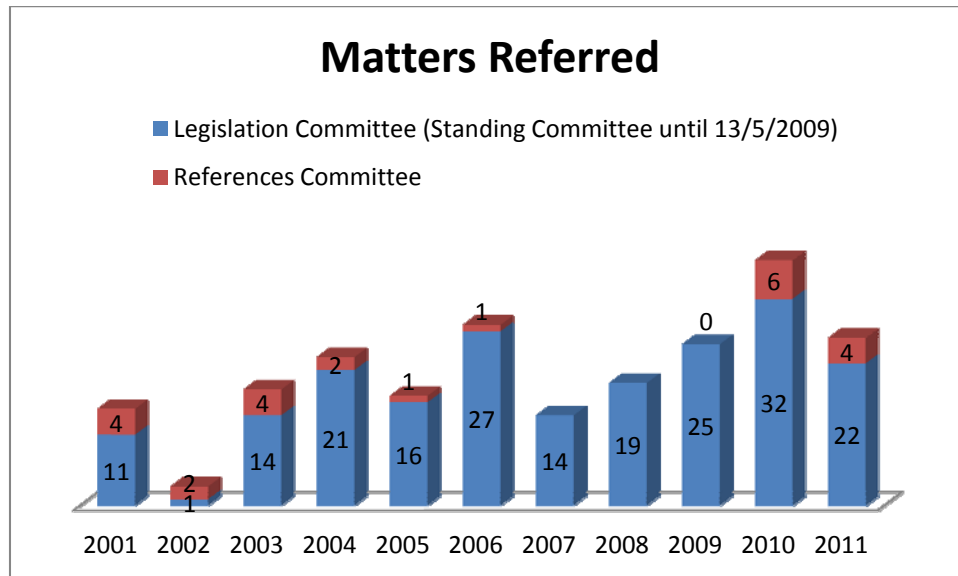
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Legal & Constitutional Affairs Legislation & References Committee

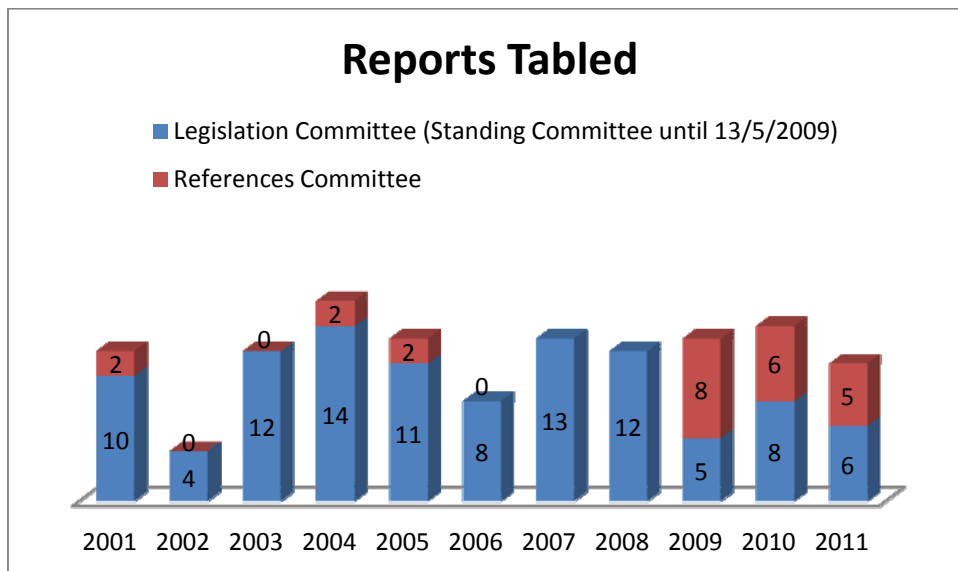
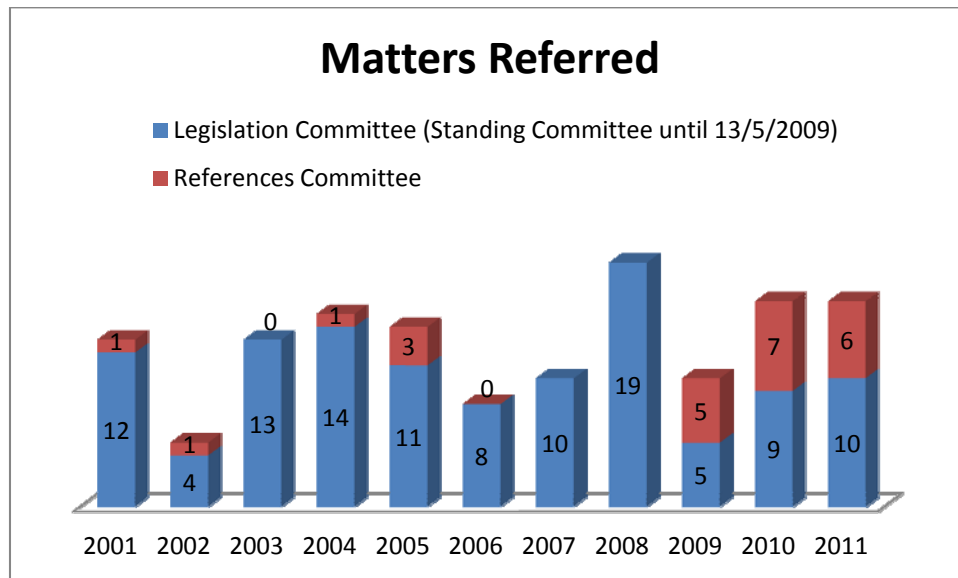
Matters Referred and Reports Tabled Annually
1/1/2001–31/12/2011



**These figures only include tabled reports that discharged a reference*

Rural Affairs & Transport Legislation & References Committee

Matters Referred and Reports Tabled Annually
1/1/2001–31/12/2011



**These figures only include tabled reports that discharged a reference*

PART FOUR

Consolidated Statistical Overview

1 July 2011–31 December 2011

Statistical Overview of Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

1 July 2011–31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred (including estimates and annual reports)	Reports tabled that discharged a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Legislation	11	43 (A)	35 + (1**) (B)	19
References	21	12 (A)	19 + 1^+ (8**) (B)	13
Joint/Select	13	8	8 + (7**)	13
Total	45	63	62 + 1^	45

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/ Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	20	80:39	17	196:35	94	13:13	0	0:00	131	290:27
References	52	258:41	0	00:00	117	37:42	2	1:53	171	298:16
Joint/Select	38	159:36	0	00:00	84	38:56	14	27:07	136	225:39
Total	110	498:56	17	196:35	295	89:51	16	29:00	438	814:22

Meetings by State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	127	0	2	1	0	1	0	0
References	148	3	7	2	3	2	2	4
Joint/Select	87	20	5	0	1	10	9	4
Total	362	23	14	3	4	13	11	8

	Televised Hearings	Witnesses			Hansard pages			No of Submissions	No. of Pages	Government Responses
		Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	34	1312	203	3	2197	720	17	566	6432	6
References	37	0	0	823	0	0	2573	2797#	19845	13
Joint/Select	22	0	31	395	0	82	1769	481	6410	1
Total	93	1312	234	1221	2197	802	4359	3844	32687	20

(A) 8 Annual Reports; 35 Individual/Packages of Bills; 12 references

(B) 8 Reports on Annual Reports; 1 Estimates Report; 26 bills reports; 1 Legislation matter report; 19 references reports

** Reports that did not discharge a reference

submission total does not include 68 form letters received by the Environment and Communications Committee for the Recent ABC programming decisions inquiry

^ denotes one reference finalised but not separately reported on

PART FIVE

Statistics On

**2011–12 Supplementary Budget Estimates
(October 2011)**

<p align="center">Statistics on 2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2011)</p>
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Community Affairs	2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2011)	Total
No. of public meetings	3 (19, 20 & 21 October 2011)	3
Hours by portfolio: – Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs – Health and Ageing – Human Services – Indigenous matters	07:30 11:15 05:30 05:45	
Hours of public meetings	30:00	3

Economics	2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2011)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (19 & 20 October 2011)	2
Hours by portfolio: – Innovation, Industry, Science and Research – Resources, Energy and Tourism – Treasury	06:00 02:30 14:00	
Hours of public meetings	22:30	2

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2011)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (19 & 20 October 2011)	2
Hours by portfolio: – Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	22:00	
Hours of public meetings	22:00	2

Environment and Communications	2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2011)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (17 & 18 October 2011)	2
Hours by portfolio: – Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy – Climate Change and Energy Efficiency – Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	06:46 07:18 08:13	
Hours of public meetings	22:17	2

<p align="center">Statistics on 2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2011)</p>
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Finance and Public Administration	2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2011)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (17 & 18 October 2011)	2
Hours by portfolio: – Finance and Deregulation – Parliament – Prime Minister and Cabinet – Regional Australia, Regional Development & Local Govt (part of PM&C)	08:37 03:16 07:40 02:57	
Hours of public meetings	22:30	2

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2011)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (19 & 20 October 2011)	2
Hours by portfolio: – Defence – Foreign Affairs and Trade – Veterans' Affairs	07:57 11:54 03:12	
Hours of public meetings	23:03	2

Legal and Constitutional Affairs	2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2011)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (17 & 18 October 2011)	2
Hours by portfolio: – Attorney-General's – Immigration and Citizenship	10:35 10:41	
Hours of public meetings	21:16	2

Rural Affairs and Transport	2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates (October 2011)	Total
No. of public meetings	2 (17 & 18 October 2011)	2
Hours by portfolio: – Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry – Infrastructure and Transport	11:15 10:20	
Hours of public meetings	21:35	2

The number of days the committees met to consider estimates:

2011-12 Supplementary Budget Estimates

5 days (17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 October 2011)

PART SIX

1 July 2011–31 December 2011

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

Community Affairs

Community Affairs

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference **	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Legislation	2	4	4	2
References	5	3	5 +(2**)	3
Total	7	7	9	5

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	2	16:21	3	29:00	14	1:52	0	0:00	19	47:13
References	11	38:06	0	0:00	27	15:02	1	1:15	39	54:23
Total	13	54:27	3	29:00	41	16:54	1	1:15	58	101:36

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	18	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
References	33	1	1	2	2	0	0	0
Total	51	1	1	3	2	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	5	344	14	0	322	72	0	27	224	0
References	10	0	0	168	0	0	504	1550	10459	2
Total	15	344	14	168	322	72	504	1577	10683	2

* Includes referral of Annual reports x 1

** Includes 2 Interim reports

Community Affairs (Legislation)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11

Substitute member

Date of appointment

Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) ¹	25.11.11
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Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	25.11.11
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10

¹

Replaces Senator Carol Brown for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 2011, the Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2011 and the Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011

Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Jan McLucas (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former member

Term of appointment

Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
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Former substitute members

Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)²
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)³

Term of appointment

30.05.11–03.06.11
21.10.11–21.10.11

Former participating members

Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)

Term of appointment

30.05.11–03.06.11
21.10.11–21.10.11
30.09.10–30.06.11
30.09.10–22.08.11
30.09.10–30.06.11
30.09.10–30.06.11
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30.09.10–30.06.11

² Replaced Senator Carol Brown from 30.05.11–03.06.11

³ Replaced Senator Carol Brown on 21.10.2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Genetically Modified Material) Bill 2010	26.11.2010 (SB)	Nil	24.08.2011	No
Annual reports	<i>(Refer Standing Order 25(20))</i>	Nil	No. 2 of 2011 (tabled 24.08.2011)	No
Budget Estimates 2011–12	10.05.2011	30 & 31 May 2011 and 1,2 & 3 June 2011 <i>(report tabled 07.07.2011)</i> 19, 20 & 21 October 2011— Canberra (Supplementary)	07.07.2011 Nil	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]—Schedule 3	07.07.2011 (SB)	05.09.2011 & 06.09.2011— Canberra	Disability Impairment Tables: Provisions of Schedule 3 of the Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 (tabled 19.09.2011)	No

Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions], Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- National registration and accreditation scheme for doctors and other health workers (tabled 07.11.2011; report tabled 06.08.2009)

Community Affairs (References)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
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Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
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Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
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Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
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Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former member

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
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Former substitute member

Term of appointment

Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP) ¹	19.10.11–20.10.11
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Replaced Senator Boyce 19.10.2011–20.10.2011

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	19.10.11–20.10.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	01.07.11–22.08.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Access to planning options and services for people ageing with a disability (<i>Reference varied 30 September 2010</i>)	Re-referred 30.09.2010	Nil	Disability and ageing: lifelong planning for a better future (tabled 06.07.2011)	No
Commonwealth contribution to former forced adoption policies	15.11.2010	22.09.2011—Canberra 27.09.2011—Canberra 28.09.2011—Canberra 26.10.2011—Adelaide 15.12.2011—Sydney 16.12.2011—Hobart	Nil	Yes
Government's funding and administration of mental health services in Australia	23.06.2011	19.08.2011—Melbourne 05.09.2011—Canberra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interim report (presented OOS 20.10.2011; tabled 31.10.2011) Second interim report (presented OOS 28.10.2011; tabled 31.10.2011) Inquiry into Commonwealth Funding and Administration of Mental Health Services—Final report (tabled 01.11.2011) 	No

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
The effectiveness of the special arrangements established in 1999 under section 100 of the <i>National Health Act 1953</i> , for the supply of Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) medicines to remote area Aboriginal Health Services	24.03.2011	Nil	The effectiveness of special arrangements for the supply of Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme medicines to remote area Aboriginal health services (tabled 11.10.2011)	No
Regulatory standards for the approval of medical devices	16.06.2011	27.09.2011—Canberra	Regulatory standards for the approval of medical devices in Australia (tabled 22.11.2011)	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Review of the Professional Services Review (PSR) Scheme	06.07.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 15</i>)	22.09.2011 & 23.09.2011—Canberra	presented OOS 25.10.2011; tabled 31.10.2011	No
The factors affecting the supply and distribution of health services and medical professionals in rural areas	13.10.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 12</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes
The provision of palliative care in Australia	23.11.2011 (Refer <i>Journal Entry 12</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Towards recovery: Mental health services in Australia (tabled 25.08.2011; report tabled 25.09.2008)
- Gene Patents (presented OOS 06.12.2011; report tabled 26.11.2010)

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)

OOS (Out of session)

Economics

Economics

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference **	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Legislation	0	10	7	3
References	3	0	3 +(1**)	0
Total	3	10	10	3

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	2	7:03	2	24:18	16	1:45	0	0:00	20	33:06
References	5	30:12	0	0:00	10	1:13	0	0:00	15	31:25
Total	7	37:15	2	24:18	26	2:58	0	0:00	35	64:31

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	12	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Total	32	1	2	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	4	114	16	0	267	73	0	127	1842	0
References	2	0	0	101	0	0	277	49	779	2
Total	6	114	16	101	267	73	277	176	2621	2

* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

** Includes Interim Report

Economics (Legislation)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair 04.07.11)</i>	01.07.11
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair 07.07.11)</i> <i>(Deputy Chair 30.09.10–09.02.11)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) <i>(Deputy Chair 10.02.11–04.07.11)</i>	09.02.11
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
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Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10

Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
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Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
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Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	01.07.11
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Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	09.02.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
<i>(Chair 30.09.10–30.06.11)</i>	
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10–09.02.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Annual Report	<i>(Refer Standing Order 25(20))</i>	Nil	No. 2 of 2011 (tabled 24.08.2011)	No
Budget Estimates 2011–12	10.05.2011	19 & 20 October 2011— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Bankruptcy Amendment (Exceptional Circumstances Exit Package) Bill 2011	07.07.2011 (SB)	Nil	21.09.2011	No
Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Fees) Bill 2011	07.07.2011 (SB)	Nil	14.09.2011	No
Exposure draft of the Business Names Registration Bill 2011, the Business Names (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2011 and the Business Names Registration (Fees) Bill 2011	06.07.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 14</i>)	02.08.2011—Canberra	presented OOS 15.08.2011, tabled 16.08.2011	No

Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

Constitutional Corporations (Farm Gate to Plate) Bill 2011 [No. 2]	15.09.2011 (SB)	15.11.2011—Canberra	25.11.2011	No
Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	22.09.2011 (SB)	Nil	07.12.2011	No
Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	03.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Tax Laws Amendment (2011 Measures No. 8) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Pay As You Go Withholding Non-compliance Tax Bill 2011 [Provisions]	03.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	21.11.2011	No

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Minerals Resource Rent Tax Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Assessment Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Tax Laws Amendment (Stronger, Fairer, Simpler and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-General) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Customs) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Excise) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-General) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Customs) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Excise) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	10.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
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Government Responses

Nil

Economics (References)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) <i>(elected Chair 07.07.11)</i> <i>(Chair 30.09.10–09.02.11)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair 07.07.11)</i>	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) <i>(Chair 10.02.11–07.07.11)</i>	09.02.11
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10

Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glen Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10–09.02.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	06.10.11–06.10.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	06.10.11–06.10.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ¹	06.10.11–06.10.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP) ²	03.03.11–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP) ³	06.10.11–06.10.11

Former subcommittee members⁴

Term of appointment

Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP) (<i>elected Chair on 10.02.11</i>)	10.02.11–06.05.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	10.02.11–06.05.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 10.02.11</i>)	10.02.11–06.05.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	10.02.11–06.05.11
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	10.02.11–06.05.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	10.02.11–06.05.11

¹ Replaced Senator Williams for the committee's inquiry into the impacts of supermarket price decisions on the dairy industry on 6 October 2011

² Replaced Senator Pratt for the committee's inquiry into the impacts of supermarket price decisions on the dairy industry

³ Replaced Senator Eggleston for the committee's inquiry into the impacts of supermarket price decisions on the dairy industry on 06.10.11

⁴ Inquiry into competition within the Australian banking sector

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Mechanisms and options for the development of a robust capital market for social economy organisations in Australia	09.02.2011	01.08.2011 & 26.09.2011— Canberra 09.09.2011—Melbourne 23.09.2011—Sydney	Investing for good: The development of a capital market for the not-for-profit sector in Australia (tabled 25.11.2011)	No
The impacts of supermarket price decisions on the Australian dairy industry	10.02.2011	06.10.2011—Melbourne	03.11.2011	No
Tax Laws Amendment (Temporary Flood and Cyclone Reconstruction Levy) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Income Tax Rates Amendment (Temporary Flood and Cyclone Reconstruction Levy) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; current insurance and reinsurance arrangements of the states and territories of their assets and infrastructure; the appropriateness of fiscal arrangements for natural disaster reconstruction efforts; and any related matters (also known as inquiry into State Government insurance and flood levy)	03.03.2011	Nil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Government insurance and the flood levy—Second Interim report (presented OOS 30.06.2011; tabled 04.07.2011) State Government insurance and the flood levy—Third Interim report (presented OOS 29.07.2011; tabled 16.08.2011) The asset insurance arrangements of Australian state governments—Final report (tabled 22.09.2011) 	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

Nil

Government Responses

- Augmented tax assessments [Inquiry into amendments proposed by Senator Cormann on sheet 7010 to the Tax Laws Amendment (2010 Measures No. 4) Bill 2010] (tabled 15.09.2011; report tabled 08.04.2011)
- GROCERYchoice website (tabled 22.09.2011; report tabled 18.11.2009)

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

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	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Legislation	0	6	3	3
References	0	3	1	2
Total	0	9	4	5

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	4	12:02	2	27:13	10	0:45	0	0:00	16	40:00
References	1	7:27	0	0:00	9	1:02	0	0:00	10	8:29
Total	5	19:29	2	27:13	19	1:47	0	0:00	26	48:29

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	13	0	2	0	0	1	0	0
References	9	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	22	0	3	0	0	1	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	4	77	31	0	248	122	0	130	1944	0
References	1	0	0	22	0	0	68	67	1092	3
Total	5	77	31	22	248	122	68	197	3036	3

* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (Legislation)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	23.08.11
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	23.08.11
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Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10

Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
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Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10–23.08.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Former substitute member

Term of appointment

Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)¹

24.08.11–15.09.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	24.08.11–15.09.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

¹ Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment (Fair Protection for Firefighters) Bill 2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Annual Report	<i>(Refer Standing Order 25(20))</i>	Nil	No. 2 of 2011 (tabled 24.08.2011)	No
Budget Estimates 2011–12	10.05.2011	19 & 20 October 2011— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment (Fair Protection for Firefighters) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	05.07.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 13</i>)	09.08.2011—Melbourne 23.08.2011—Canberra 02.09.2011—Perth	15.09.2011	No
Work Health and Safety Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Work Health and Safety (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	07.07.2011 (SB)	10.08.2011—Melbourne	presented OOS 26.08.2011; tabled 12.09.2011	No

Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection Service and other Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions], the Education Services for Overseas Students (TPS Levies) Bill 2011 and the Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Tuition Protection Service) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	13.10.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	10.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Fair Work Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industry) Bill 2011	25.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)*

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (References)

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Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	24.11.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	23.08.11
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	23.08.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	24.11.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10

Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10–23.08.11
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10–24.11.10
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11

Former substitute member

Term of appointment

Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)¹

23.08.11–25.11.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)

30.09.10–23.11.10

Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)

30.09.10–22.08.11

Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)

23.08.11–25.11.11

Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)

30.09.10–30.06.11

¹ Replaced Senator Rhiannon for the committee's inquiry into disability employment services

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

Nil

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
The administration and purchasing of Disability Employment Services (DES) in Australia	22.08.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 10</i>)	27.10.2011—Melbourne	25.11.2011	No
Higher education and skills training to support future demand in agriculture and agribusiness in Australia	19.09.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 17</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Infrastructure delivery and the shortage of engineering and related employment skills	07.11.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 10</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Industry skills councils (presented OOS 25.07.2011, tabled 16.08.2011; report tabled 23.03.2011)
- Administration and reporting of NAPLAN testing (tabled 13.10.2011; report tabled 24.11.2010)
- Welfare of international students (presented OOS 18.11.2011, tabled 21.11.2011; report tabled 26.11.2009)

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)

OOS (Out of session)

Environment and Communications

Environment and Communications

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Legislation	0	4	2	2
References	2	1	3	0
Total	2	5	5	2

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	0	0:00	2	22:17	7	0:49	0	0:00	9	23:06
References	4	22:34	0	0:00	19	3:02	1	0:38	24	26:14
Total	4	22:34	2	22:17	26	3:51	1	0:38	33	49:20

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	22	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Total	31	0	2	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions #	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	2	168	0	0	262	0	0	19	129	3
References	3	0	0	90	0	0	260	344	1375	1
Total	5	168	0	90	262	0	260	363	1504	4

* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

submission total does not include 68 form letters received for the Recent ABC programming decisions inquiry

Environment and Communications (Legislation)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11–05.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ¹	23.03.11–15.06.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG) ²	13.10.11–07.11.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ³	03.03.11–15.06.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	03.03.11–15.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	23.03.11–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	13.10.11–07.11.11

¹ Replaced Senator Troeth for the committee's inquiry into the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Bioregional Plans) Bill 2011

² Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Australian Renewable Energy Agency Bill 2011 and a related bill

³ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Bioregional Plans) Bill 2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Annual Report	<i>(Refer Standing Order 25(20))</i>	Nil	No. 2 of 2011 (tabled 24.08.2011)	No
Budget Estimates 2011–12	10.05.2011	17 & 18 October 2011— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No

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New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Australian Renewable Energy Agency Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	13.10.2011 (SB)	Nil	07.11.2011	No

Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency Bill 2011 [Provisions], the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Universal Service Reform) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Telecommunications (Industry Levy) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	03.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Emergency Listings) Bill 2011	10.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- The operation of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (tabled 22.09.2011; reports tabled 18.03.09 and 30.04.2009)
- Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Bill 2011 [Provisions], Carbon Credits (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Australian National Registry of Emissions Units Bill 2011 [Provisions] (tabled 16.08.2011; report tabled 27.05.2011)
- Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Fibre Deployment) Bill 2010 [Provisions] (tabled 10.11.2011; report tabled 12.05.2010)

Environment and Communications (References)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 07.07.11)</i>	04.07.11
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) (<i>Deputy Chair 30.09.10</i>)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11–05.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11–04.07.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG) ¹	11.05.11–22.09.11
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG) ²	07.07.11–22.09.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ³	22.08.11–13.10.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	11.05.11–05.07.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	07.07.11–13.10.11

¹ Replaced Senator Ludlam on the committee's inquiry into the status, health and sustainability of the koala population

² Replaced Senator Waters for the committee's inquiry into the status, health and sustainability of the koala population

³ Replaced Senators Waters for the committee's inquiry into programming decisions made by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
The status, health and sustainability of Australia's koala population	17.11.2010	01.08.2011—Melbourne	The koala—saving our national icon (tabled 22.09.2011)	No
The capacity of communication networks and emergency warning systems to deal with emergencies and natural disasters	03.03.2011	08.08.2011 & 09.08.2011—Canberra	23.11.2011	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Recent programming decisions made by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation	17.08.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 12</i>)	26.09.2011—Canberra	Recent ABC programming decisions (tabled 13.10.2011)	No

Government Responses

- Forestry and mining operations on the Tiwi Islands (presented OOS 19.12.2011; report tabled 29.10.2009)

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)

OOS (Out of session)

Finance and Public Administration

Finance and Public Administration

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Legislation	2	4	5	1
References	1	1	1	1
Total	3	5	6	2

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	2	6:08	2	22:30	12	2:18	0	0:00	16	30:56
References	2	10:54	0	0:00	4	0:21	0	0:00	6	11:15
Total	4	17:02	2	22:30	16	2:39	0	0:00	22	42:11

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total	21	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	3	216	11	3	267	43	17	46	453	2
References	1	0	0	37	0	0	115	65	542	0
Total	4	216	11	40	267	43	132	111	995	2

* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

Finance and Public Administration (Legislation)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 07.07.11)</i>	01.07.11
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	07.07.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	27.10.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	07.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP) (<i>Deputy Chair 30.09.10–27.10.10</i>)	30.09.10–27.10.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP) (<i>Deputy Chair 28.10.10–01.07.11</i>)	27.10.10–01.07.11
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–07.07.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11

Former substitute members	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) ¹ (Chair from 18.10.10–19.10.10)	18.10.10–19.10.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ²	25.10.10–06.10.11
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP) ³	18.10.10–19.10.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP) ⁴	17.10.11–18.10.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG) ⁵	07.07.11–06.11.11

Former participating members	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	07.07.11–06.11.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	25.10.10–06.10.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

¹ Replaced Senator Polley from 18 to 19 October 2010

² Replaced Senator Siewert for the committee's inquiry into the exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation

³ Replaced Senator Stephens from 18 to 19 October 2010

⁴ Replaced Senator Stephens on 17 October and 18 October 2011

⁵ Replaced Senator Di Natale for the committee's inquiry into the exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation	Re-referred 30.09.2010	Nil	Exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation: Part 2—Credit reporting (presented OOS 06.10.2011; tabled 11.10.2011)	No
The performance of the Department of Parliamentary Services	23.06.2011	16.11.2011—Canberra	Nil	Yes
Annual report	<i>(Refer Standing Order 25(20))</i>	Nil	No. 2 of 2011 (tabled 17.08.2011)	No
Budget Estimates 2011–12	10.05.2011	17 & 18 October 2011— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Government Advertising (Accountability) Bill 2011	07.07.2011 (SB)	Nil	21.09.2011	No
Public Service Amendment (Payments in Special Circumstances) Bill 2011	07.07.2011 (SB)	Nil	18.08.2011	No

Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

National Health Reform Amendment (Independent Hospital Pricing Authority) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.08.2011 (SB)	07.09.2011—Canberra	15.09.2011	No
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Government Responses

Nil

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)

Finance and Public Administration (References)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP) (<i>elected Chair 01.07.11</i>)	01.07.11
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10</i>)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	07.07.11
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	27.10.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	07.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP) (<i>Chair 30.09.10–27.10.10</i>)	30.09.10–27.10.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP) (<i>Chair on 28.10.10–01.07.11</i>)	27.10.10–01.07.11
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–07.07.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) ¹	04.05.11–05.05.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP) ²	03.05.11–06.05.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	03.05.11–06.05.11
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

¹ Replaced Senator Stephens from 4–5 May 2011 (*Deputy Chair 04.05.11–05.05.11*)

² Replaced Senator Polley from 3–6 May 2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled
Superannuation claims of former and current Commonwealth public service employees	01.03.2011	Nil	presented OOS 30.06.2011; tabled 04.07.2011

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
The Government's administration of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme	23.06.2011	21.07.2011—Melbourne 25.07.2011—Canberra	17.08.2011	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
The operation of the <i>Lobbying Code of Conduct</i> and the Lobbyist Register	24.11.2011	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Government advertising and accountability (Presented OOS 08.09.2011; tabled 12.09.2011; report tabled 06.12.2005)
- Superannuation Claims of former and current Commonwealth public service employees (tabled 13.10.2011; report tabled 30.06.2011)

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)

OOS (Out of session)

**Foreign Affairs, Defence
and Trade**

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference **	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Legislation	1	2	2	1
References	4	1	3 + (2**)	2
Total	5	3	5	3

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	1	1:45	2	23:03	9	2:33	0	0:00	12	27:21
References	6	37:30	0	0:00	15	4:34	0	0:00	21	42:04
Total	7	39:15	2	23:03	24	7:07	0	0:00	33	69:25

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	3	194	6	0	328	21	0	1	22	0
References	6	0	0	57	0	0	282	22	205	0
Total	9	194	6	57	328	21	282	23	227	0

* Includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

** Includes 1 Interim and 1 Preliminary Report

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Legislation)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 07.07.11)</i>	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 07.07.11)</i>	07.07.11
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) <i>(Chair 29.09.10–07.07.11)</i>	29.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	29.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	01.07.11

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	29.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	07.07.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	29.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	29.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	29.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	29.09.10–07.07.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
<i>(elected Deputy Chair on 29.09.10)</i>	

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) ¹	18.10.11–21.10.11
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Replaced Senator Stephens from 18.10.2011 to 21.10.2011

Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)² 07.07.11–18.08.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	29.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	07.07.11–18.08.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	18.10.11–21.10.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11

²

Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Veterans' Entitlements Amendment Bill 2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Veterans' Entitlements Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]	15.06.2011 (SB)	11.08.2011—Canberra	18.08.2011	No
Annual Report	<i>(Refer Standing Order 25(20))</i>	Nil	No. 2 of 2011 (tabled 24.08.2011)	No
Budget Estimates 2011–12	10.05.2011	19 & 20 October 2011— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Defence Trade Controls Bill 2011 [Provisions]	10.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

Nil

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)

OOS (Out of session)

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (References)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 07.07.11)</i>	07.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 07.07.11)</i>	01.07.11
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP) <i>(Chair 29.09.10–07.07.11)</i>	29.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP) <i>(Deputy Chair 29.09.10–07.07.11)</i>	29.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	29.09.10

Participating members

	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	29.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins (VIC, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	07.07.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	29.09.10

Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	29.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	29.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	29.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	29.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	29.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	29.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11–07.07.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	29.09.10–22.08.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	29.09.10–30.06.11

Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	29.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	29.09.10–30.06.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Equity and diversity health checks in the Royal Australian Navy—HMAS <i>Success</i>	Re-referred 30.09.2010	Nil	Part II: Incidents onboard HMAS <i>Success</i> between March and May 2009 and subsequent events (tabled 22.09.2011)	No
Department of Defence's request for tender for aviation contracts and associated issues	24.11.2010	Nil	25.08.2011	No
Procurement procedures for Defence capital projects	09.02.2011	11.08.2011, 12.08.2011, 05.10.2011 & 07.10.2011— Canberra	Interim report (presented OOS 30.11.2011) Preliminary report (presented OOS 15.12.2011)	Yes
Effectiveness of the Australian Government's response to Australian citizens who are kidnapped and held for ransom overseas	23.06.2011	06.10.2011 & 11.10.2011— Canberra	Held Hostage: Government's response to kidnappings of Australian citizens overseas (tabled 25.11.2011)	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
The importance of the Indian Ocean rim for Australia's foreign, trade and defence policy	24.11.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 8</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

Nil

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)
OOS (Out of session)

Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Legal and Constitutional Affairs

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference **	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Legislation	6	7	10 + (1**)	3
References	1	2	2 + (1**)	1
Total	7	9	12	4

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	6	21:00	2	28:00	14	1:29	0	0:00	22	50:29
References	3	11:40	0	0:00	13	1:51	0	0:00	16	13:31
Total	9	32:40	2	28:00	27	3:20	0	0:00	38	64:00

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	8	30	78	0	252	201	0	183	1634	0
References	3	0	0	38	0	0	112	98	1540	2
Total	11	30	78	38	252	201	112	281	3174	2

* includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

** includes 1 report on unauthorised disclosure of committee proceedings and 1 report on a legislative matter

Legal and Constitutional Affairs (Legislation)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 06.07.11)</i>	01.07.11
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ¹	25.11.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ²	08.11.11

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
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Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
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Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10

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Replaces Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Crimes Amendment (Fairness for Minors) Bill 2011

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Replaces Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Online Games) Bill 2011

Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	07.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
<i>(Deputy Chair on 30.09.10–30.06.11)</i>	

Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–01.07.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG) ³	18.08.11–19.09.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) ⁴	03.03.11–04.05.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁵	25.10.10–01.03.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁶	25.10.10–28.01.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁷	27.10.10–12.05.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁸	12.05.11–29.06.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ⁹	15.06.11–05.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ¹⁰	07.07.11–18.08.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ¹¹	08.11.11–21.11.11
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP) ¹²	17.10.11–18.10.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ¹³	28.02.11–05.07.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ¹⁴	12.05.11–05.07.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ¹⁵	07.07.11–21.09.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ¹⁶	07.07.11–09.11.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ¹⁷	07.07.11–22.08.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
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- ³ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Trade Marks Amendment (Tobacco Plain Packaging) Bill 2011
- ⁴ Replaced Senator Furner on the committee's inquiry into the Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Amendment (Disallowance and Amendment Power of the Commonwealth) Bill 2010
- ⁵ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Sex and Age Discrimination Legislation Amendment Bill 2010
- ⁶ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Bill 2010 and a related bill
- ⁷ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the Commonwealth Commissioner for Children and Young People Bill 2010
- ⁸ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test and Other Provisions) Bill 2011
- ⁹ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the Migration Amendment (Detention Reform and Procedural Fairness) Bill 2010
- ¹⁰ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Migration Amendment (Detention Reform and Procedural Fairness) Bill 2010
- ¹¹ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Deterring People Smuggling Bill 2011
- ¹² Replaced Senator Boyce 17.10.11–18.10.11
- ¹³ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010
- ¹⁴ Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into the Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill 2011
- ¹⁵ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010
- ¹⁶ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill 2011
- ¹⁷ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Family Law Legislation Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2011

Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	03.03.11–04.05.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ¹⁸	25.10.10–01.03.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	28.02.11–05.07.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

¹⁸

Senator Ludlam was a participating member for the duration of the inquiry into the provisions of the Sex and Age Discrimination Legislation Amendment Bill 2010 which tabled on 01.03.11. He commenced as a participating member for the committee's inquiry into the Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010 on 28.02.11.

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled
Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test and Other Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	12.05.2011 (SB)	N/A	presented OOS 29.06.2011; tabled 04.07.2011

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010	26.11.2010 (SB)	Nil	21.09.2011	No
Family Law Legislation Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.03.2011 (SB)	08.07.2011—Canberra	22.08.2011	No
Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]	12.05.2011 (SB)	Nil	07.07.2011	No
Migration Amendment (Detention Reform and Procedural Fairness) Bill 2010	24.03.2011 (SB)	04.08.2011—Canberra	18.08.2011	No
Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill 2011	12.05.2011 (SB)	16.09.2011—Canberra	09.11.2011	No
Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2011	23.06.2011 (SB)	04.08.2011—Canberra	23.08.2011	No

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Annual Report	<i>(Refer Standing Order 25(20))</i>	Nil	No. 2 of 2011 (tabled 24.08.2011)	No
Budget Estimates 2011–12	10.05.2011	17 & 18 October 2011— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Trade Marks Amendment (Tobacco Plain Packaging) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	18.08.2011 (SB)	13.09.2011—Canberra	19.09.2011	No
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Online Games) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	03.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Deterring People Smuggling Bill 2011	03.11.2011 (SB)	11.11.2011—Canberra	21.11.2011	No
Personal Property Securities Amendment (Registration Commencement) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	03.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	21.11.2011	No
Access to Justice (Federal Jurisdiction) Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Crimes Amendment (Fairness for Minors) Bill 2011	25.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes
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Government Responses

Nil

Other Reports Tabled

- Northern Land Council's evidence to the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the National Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2010 (tabled 25.11.2011)

Legal and Constitutional Affairs (References)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG) <i>(elected Chair on 03.11.11)</i>	05.07.11
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	18.08.11
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP) <i>(Chair 06.07.11–03.11.11)</i>	01.07.11

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	18.08.11
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP) (<i>Chair 30.09.10–30.06.11</i>)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10–05.07.11
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–18.08.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP) ¹	23.09.11–23.09.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) ²	10.05.11–10.06.11

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Replaced Senator Furner on 23 September 2011

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)³ 22.08.11–11.10.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10–18.08.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	23.09.11–23.09.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	10.05.11–10.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	22.08.11–11.10.11

² Replaced Senator Ludlam for the committee's inquiry into *Water Act 2007* [Provisions] relating to the development of a Basin Plan

³ Replaced Senator Wright for the committee's inquiry into the agreement between Australia and Malaysia in relation to asylum seekers

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
The incidence of international child abduction to and from Australia	11.05.2011	26.08.2011 & 22.09.2011— Canberra	International parental child abduction to and from Australia (tabled 31.10.2011)	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Australia's agreement with Malaysia in relation to asylum seekers	17.08.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 13</i>)	23.09.2011—Canberra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11.10.2011 Unauthorised disclosure of committee proceedings relating to the committee's inquiry into Australia's arrangement with Malaysia on asylum seekers (tabled 25.11.2011) 	No
Prospective marriage visas	24.11.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 17</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Australian Law Reform Commission (presented OOS 08.07.2011; tabled 16.08.2011; report tabled 08.04.2011)
- Review of government compensation payments (presented OOS 29.11.2011; report tabled 06.12.2010)

Rural Affairs and Transport

Rural Affairs and Transport

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period *	Reports tabled that discharge a reference **	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Legislation	0	6	2	4
References	5	1	1+1#+(2**)	4
Total	5	7	3 + 1#	8

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Legislation	3	16:20	2	20:14	12	1:42	0	0:00	17	38:16
References	20	100:18	0	0:00	20	10:37	0	0:00	40	110:55
Total	23	116:38	2	20:14	32	12:19	0	0:00	57	149:11

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Legislation	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
References	30	1	0	0	1	2	2	4
Total	47	1	0	0	1	2	2	4

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Legislation	5	169	47	0	251	188	0	33	184	1
References	11	0	0	310	0	0	955	602	3853	3
Total	16	169	47	310	251	188	955	635	4037	4

* includes referral of Annual Reports x 1

** includes 2 Interim Reports

2 separate references were finalised by 1 report

Rural Affairs and Transport (Legislation)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ¹	25.11.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP) ²	25.08.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ³	18.08.11
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG) ⁴	03.11.11

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10

¹ Replaces Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011

² Replaces Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into the Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011

³ Replaces Senator Siewert for the committee's inquiry into the Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011

⁴ Replaces Senator Siewert for the committee's inquiry into the Qantas Sale Amendment (Still Call Australia Home) Bill 2011

Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	09.02.11
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
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Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	25.08.11
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
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Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)*	18.08.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)*	03.11.11
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11

Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND) 30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP) 30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) 30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP) 09.02.11–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)⁵ 04.11.11–04.11.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)⁶ 10.05.11–23.06.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)⁷ 19.09.11–02.11.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP) 30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP) 30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP) 30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP) 30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP) 30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) 10.05.11–23.06.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP) 30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP) 30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP) 30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP) 30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP) 30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP) 30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP) 04.11.11–04.11.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP) 30.09.10–30.06.11

⁵ Replaced Senator Urquhart on 04.11.2011

⁶ Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into the exposure draft and explanatory memorandum of the Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011

⁷ Replaced Senator Heffernan on the committee's inquiry into the Quarantine Amendment (Disallowing Permits) Bill 2011

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Annual Report	<i>(Refer Standing Order 25(20))</i>	Nil	No. 2 of 2011 (tabled 24.08.2011)	No
Budget Estimates 2011–12	10.05.2011	17 & 18 October 2011— Canberra (Supplementary)	Nil	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011, and Qantas Sale Amendment (Still Call Australia Home) Bill 2011	18.08.2011 (SB) 15.09.2011 (SB)	04.11.2011 & 24.11.2011— Canberra	Nil	Yes
Quarantine Amendment (Disallowing Permits) Bill 2011	15.09.2011 (SB)	Nil	02.11.2011	No
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Protecting Australia's Water Resources) Bill 2011	10.11.2011 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011 [Provisions]	25.11.2011 (SB)	14.12.2011—Canberra	Nil	Yes
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Government Responses

- Exposure draft and explanatory memorandum of the Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011 (presented OOS 25.11.2011; report tabled 23.06.2011)

Rural Affairs and Transport (References)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to amended Senate Standing Order 25.

Current members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP) (<i>elected Chair on 30.09.10</i>)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 30.09.10</i>)	30.09.10
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	05.07.11

Substitute members

Date of appointment

Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ¹	24.03.11
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Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Bob Brown (TAS, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Richard Di Natale (VIC, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10

¹

Replaces Senator Milne for the committee's inquiry into operational issues in export grain networks

Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ludlam (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	24.03.11
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Lee Rhiannon (NSW, AG)	05.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Larissa Waters (QLD, AG)	05.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	05.07.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	30.09.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	09.02.11–30.06.11

Former substitute members

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ²	24.03.11–24.03.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) ³	29.11.11–29.11.11
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP) ⁴	29.11.11–29.11.11
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG) ⁵	16.06.11–23.11.11

Former participating members

Term of appointment

Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Michael Forshaw (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	24.03.11–24.03.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	29.11.11–29.11.11
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP)	09.02.11–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	29.11.11–29.11.11
Senator Kerry O'Brien (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10–09.02.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Dana Wortley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

² Replaced Senator Heffernan on 24 March 2011

³ Replaced Senator Heffernan for the committee's inquiry into biosecurity and quarantine arrangements on 29 November 2011

⁴ Replaced Senator Nash for the committee's inquiry into biosecurity and quarantine arrangements on 29 November 2011

⁵ Replaced Senator Milne for the committee's inquiry into live export trade

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Biosecurity and quarantine arrangements	Re-referred 30.09.2010	07.07.2011, 08.07.2011 & 21.07.2011—Canberra 29.11.2011—Canberra	Biosecurity and quarantine arrangements—Interim report: the management of the removal of the fee rebate for AQIS export certification functions (presented OOS 12.12.2011)	Yes
Management of the Murray-Darling Basin	28.10.2010	18.07.2011—Roma, QLD 19.07.2011—Dalby, QLD 20.07.2011—Brisbane 02.08.2011—Narrabri, NSW 09.08.2011 & 09.09.2011— Canberra	The impact of mining coal seam gas on the management of the Murray Darling Basin—Interim report (presented OOS 30.11.2011)	Yes
Operational issues in export grain networks	23.03.2011	30.08.2011—Adelaide 31.08.2011—Perth 16.11.2011—Canberra	Nil	Yes

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Live export trade; Live Animal Export (Slaughter) Prohibition Bill 2011 [No. 2] and the Live Animal Export Restriction and Prohibition Bill 2011 [No. 2]	16.06.2011 23.06.2011 (SB)	04.08.2011—Darwin 10.08.2011—Canberra 01.09.2011—Broome, WA 02.09.2011—Katherine, NT 14.09.2011 & 20.09.2011—Canberra	Animal welfare standards in Australia's live export markets and the Live Animal Export (Slaughter) Prohibition Bill 2011 [No. 2] and Live Animal Export Restriction and Prohibition Bill 2011 [No. 2] (tabled 23.11.2011)	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Examination of the Foreign Investment Review Board National Interest Test	06.07.2011 (Refer <i>Journal entry 16</i>)	16.11.2011—Canberra	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Climate change and the Australian agricultural sector (presented OOS 15.11.2011, tabled 21.11.2011; report tabled 04.12.2008)
- Science underpinning the inability to eradicate the Asian honey bee (presented OOS 15.11.2011; tabled 21.11.2011; reports tabled 07.04.2011 and 23.06.2011)
- Pilot training and airline safety; and consideration of the *Transport Safety Investigation Amendment (Incident Reports) Bill 2010* (tabled 22.11.2011; report tabled 23.06.2011)

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)

OOS (Out of session)

**Joint Committees
administered by the
Senate Committee Office
1 July 2011–31 December 2011**

**Australian Commission for
Law Enforcement Integrity**

Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Joint Statutory	2	2	2	2

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Statutory	3	8:09	0	0:00	9	4:47	1	3:50	13	16:46

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Statutory	9	2	0	0	0	1	1	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Joint Statutory	2	0	0	26	0	0	84	11	56	0

Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to Part 14 of the *Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006*; appointed 30 September 2010.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Ms Melissa Parke MP (Fremantle, WA, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 26.10.10)</i>	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 28.10.10)</i>	27.10.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Lisa Singh (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	04.07.11
Mr Chris Hayes MP (Fowler, NSW, ALP)	25.10.10
Mr Russell Matheson MP (Macarthur, NSW, LP)	25.10.10
Mr Luke Simpkins MP (Cowan, WA, LP)	25.10.10
Mr Tony Zappia MP (Makin, SA, ALP)	25.10.10
Former member	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–27.10.10
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10–01.07.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Performance of statutory duties (ongoing) Examination of the Annual Report of the Integrity Commissioner 2010–11		Nil 25.11.2011—Canberra	Nil Nil	Ongoing
Operation of the <i>Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006</i>	Re-adopted 26.10.2010	Nil	07.07.2011	No

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Inquiry into Integrity Testing	07.07.2011 (<i>agreed to by the committee</i>)	19.08.2011—Canberra 09.09.2011—Perth	House of Representatives 21.11.2011; Senate 25.11.2011	No
Inquiry into integrity of overseas Commonwealth law enforcement operations	06.12.2011 (<i>agreed to by the committee</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

Nil

SB (*Selection of Bills Committee*)

OOS (*Out of session*)

Australia's Immigration Detention Network

Australia's Immigration Detention Network

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference *	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Joint Select Committee	1	0	0 +(1)	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Select Committee	10	62:21	0	0:00	14	12:32	10	8:55	34	83:48

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Select Committee	13	4	1	0	1	8	5	2

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Joint Select Committee	6	0	0	154	0	0	690	126	1402	0

* includes 1 Interim report

Australia's Immigration Detention Network (Joint Select)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 2 June 2011 and agreed to by the Senate on 16 June 2011.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Mr Daryl Melham MP (Banks, NSW, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 16.06.11)</i>	05.07.11
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 16.06.11)</i>	16.06.11
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Mr Adam Bandt MP (Melbourne, VIC, AG)	23.06.11
Mr Michael Keenan MP (Stirling, WA, LP)	22.06.11
Mr Scott Morrison MP (Cook, NSW, LP)	22.06.11
Mr Robert Oakeshott MP (Lyne, NSW, IND)	18.08.11
Ms Maria Vamvakinou MP (Calwell, VIC, ALP)	05.07.11

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	22.06.11
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	22.06.11
Mr Jamie Briggs MP (Mayo, SA, LP)	18.08.11
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Mr Warren Entsch MP (Leichhardt, QLD LP)	18.08.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	22.06.11
Mrs Natasha Griggs MP (Solomon, NT, CLP)	18.08.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	22.06.11

Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	22.06.11
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	22.06.11
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	22.06.11
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	22.06.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	22.06.11

Former participating member

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	22.06.11–22.08.11
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Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Joint Select Committee on Australia's Immigration Detention Network	16.06.2011	16.08.2011—Canberra 06.09.2011—Christmas Island 07.09.2011—Derby 26.09.2011—Darwin 05.10.2011—Sydney 15.11.2011—Adelaide 18.11.2011—Melbourne 22.11.2011 & 09.12.2011—Canberra 02.12.2011—Weipa, QLD	Interim report (presented OOS 07.10.2011; tabled 11.10.2011)	Yes

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

Nil

Government Responses

Nil

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)

OOS (Out of session)

Corporations and Financial Services

Corporations & Financial Services

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference *	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Joint Statutory	3	5	2 + (3)	6

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Statutory	9	27:21	0	0:00	17	8:29	0	0:00	26	35:50

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Statutory	19	7	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Joint Statutory	2	0	31	69	0	82	263	199	2705	0

* includes 1 Interim report & 2 reports on statutory reporting obligations of the Committee

Corporations and Financial Services (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to section 241 of the *Australian Securities and Investments Commission Act 2001*; appointed 30 September 2010.

Current members

Date of appointment

Mr B Ripoll MP (Oxley, QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 18.11.10)</i>	25.10.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 18.11.10)</i>	25.10.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	11.10.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	26.10.10
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Mr P Fletcher MP (Bradfield, NSW, LP)	25.10.10
The Hon A Griffin MP (Bruce, VIC, ALP)	25.10.10
Mr ADH Smith MP (Casey, VIC, LP)	25.10.10
Ms L Smyth MP (LaTrobe, VIC, ALP)	25.10.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Don Farrell (SA, ALP)	30.09.10–26.10.10
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	26.10.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Jan McLucas (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10–26.10.10
Senator Christine Milne (TAS, AG)	04.07.11–07.07.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries*As at 1.7.2011*

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Oversight of the operations of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission		12.10.2011—Canberra 25.11.2011—Sydney	Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (tabled 12.09.2011 & 24.11.2011)	Ongoing
Examination of annual reports of ASIC Act bodies		Nil	Nil	Ongoing
Inquiry into the collapse of Trio Capital	23.06.2011 (<i>agreed to by the committee</i>)	30.08.2011—Sydney 06.09.2011—Thirroul 06.09.2011—Sydney 22.09.2011—Canberra 23.09.2011—Sydney 04.11.2011—Canberra	Interim report (tabled 24.11.11)	Yes

New References*1.7.2011–31.12.2011*

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Early Release of Superannuation) Bill 2011	07.07.2011 (<i>referred pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee</i>)	Nil	23.08.11	No

Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011	22.09.2011 (<i>referred pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee</i>)	24.10.2011—Canberra	presented OOS 02.12.2011	No
Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2011	13.10.2011 (<i>referred pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (MySuper Core Provisions) Bill 2011	03.11.2011 (<i>referred pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes
Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2011	24.11.2011 (<i>referred pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee</i>)	Nil	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

Nil

SB (Selection of Bills Committee)

OOS (Out of session)

Gambling Reform

Gambling Reform

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Joint Select Committee	4	0	3	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Select Committee	3	16:25	0	0:00	8	4:20	1	1:01	12	21:46

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Select Committee	10	0	2	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Joint Select Committee	2	0	0	39	0	0	195	44	604	0

Gambling Reform (Joint Select)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010, agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Date of appointment

Mr Andrew Wilkie, MP (Denison, TAS, IND) (<i>elected Chair on 27.10.10</i>)	25.10.10
Mr Nick Champion, MP (Wakefield, SA, ALP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 27.10.10</i>)	25.10.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	25.10.10
Mr Steven Ciobo, MP (Moncrieff, QLD, LP)	25.10.10
Mr Josh Frydenberg, MP (Kooyong, VIC, LP)	25.10.10
Mr Stephen Jones, MP (Throsby, NSW, ALP)	25.10.10
Mr Shayne Neumann, MP (Blair, QLD, ALP)	25.10.10

Participating members

Date of appointment

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	25.10.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	25.10.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	25.10.10
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	25.10.10

Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	25.10.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	25.10.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	25.10.10
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	25.10.10

Former participating member

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	25.10.10–22.08.11
Senator the Hon Alan Ferguson (SA, LP)	25.10.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Julian McGauran (VIC, LP)	25.10.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Nicholas Minchin (SA, LP)	25.10.10–30.06.11
Senator the Hon Judith Troeth (VIC, LP)	25.10.10–30.06.11
Senator Russell Trood (QLD, LP)	25.10.10–30.06.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries*As at 1.7.2011*

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Poker Machine Harm Reduction Tax (Administration) Bill 2008 [2010] and Poker Machine (Reduced Losses—Interim Measures) Bill 2010	28.10.2010	Nil	Reports presented OOS 30.08.2011; tabled 12.09.2011	No
Prevalence of interactive and online gambling in Australia	<i>(reference transferred from the Community Affairs References Committee 28.10.2010)</i>	11.08.2011—Melbourne 19.08.2011 & 16.09.2011— Canberra	presented OOS 08.12.2011	No
Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011	20.06.2011	11.08.2011—Melbourne 19.08.2011 & 16.09.2011— Canberra	presented OOS 08.12.2011	No

New References*1.7.2011–31.12.2011*

Nil

Government Responses

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)**OOS (Out of session)*

Law Enforcement

Law Enforcement

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference *	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Joint Statutory	1	1	0 +(2*)	2

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Joint Statutory	4	8:39	0	0:00	12	4:38	2	6:32	18	19:49

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Joint Statutory	10	4	0	0	0	1	3	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Joint Statutory	3	0	0	28	0	0	84	10	51	1

* reports on statutory obligations of Committee

Law Enforcement (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to the *Parliamentary Joint Committee on Law Enforcement Act 2010*; appointed 30 September 2010.

Current members

Date of appointment

Mr Chris Hayes MP (Fowler, NSW, ALP) (<i>elected Chair on 04.07.11</i>)	25.10.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 26.10.10</i>)	25.10.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Penny Wright (SA, AG)	04.07.11
Ms Sharon Grierson MP (Newcastle, NSW, ALP)	25.10.10
Mr Chris Hayes MP (Fowler, NSW, ALP)	25.10.10
Mr Michael Keenan MP (Stirling, WA, LP)	25.10.10
Mr Russell Matheson MP (Macarthur, NSW, LP)	25.10.10
Ms Maria Vamvakinou MP (Calwell, VIC, ALP)	25.10.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10–25.10.10
Senator Steve Hutchins (NSW, ALP) (<i>Chair 25.10.10–30.06.11</i>)	30.09.10–30.06.11
Senator Steve Fielding (VIC, FFP)	30.09.10–30.06.11

Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries*As at 1.7.2011*

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Performance of statutory duties		13.07.2011—Canberra	Examination of the annual report of the Australian Crime Commission 2009–10 (tabled 24.08.2011)	Ongoing
Performance of statutory duties		Nil	Examination of the annual report of the Australian Federal Police 2009–10 (tabled 24.08.2011)	Ongoing
Examination of ANAO Report 29 of 2010–11 Management of the Implementation of New Policy Initiatives—Australian Federal Police		13.07.2011—Canberra	Nil	Yes

New References*1.7.2011–31.12.2011*

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Inquiry into Commonwealth unexplained wealth legislation and arrangements	13.07.2011 (<i>agreed to by the committee</i>)	09.09.2011—Perth 04.11.2011—Canberra	Nil	Yes

Government Responses

- Inquiry into the adequacy of aviation and maritime security measures to combat serious and organised crime (tabled 07.11.2011; report tabled 16.06.2011)

Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office

Select Committees

1 July 2011–31 December 2011

Australia's Food Processing Sector

Australia's Food Processing Sector

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Select Committee	1	0	0	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	1	4:15	0	0:00	10	2:14	0	6:49	11	13:18

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Select Committee	1	0	0	8	0	0	37	50	750	0

Select Committee on Australia's Food Processing Sector

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 24 March 2011.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP) (<i>elected Chair on 07.07.11</i>)	16.06.11
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP) (<i>elected Deputy Chair on 14.09.11</i>)	07.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	04.07.11
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	07.07.11
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Anne Urquhart (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	16.06.11
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Sean Edwards (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator David Fawcett (SA, LP)	01.07.11
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	16.06.11

Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	16.06.11
Senator Helen Kroger (VIC, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Bridget McKenzie (VIC, NATS)	01.07.11
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	16.06.11
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	16.06.11
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	16.06.11
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	16.06.11
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP)	01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	16.06.11

Former participating member

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	16.06.11–22.08.11
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Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Inquiry on Australia's Food Processing Sector	24.03.2011	13.12.2011—Canberra	Nil	Yes

New References

1.7.2011–31.12.2011

Nil

Government Responses

Nil

Scrutiny of New Taxes

Scrutiny of New Taxes

1 July 2011 - 31 December 2011

	Matters current as at 1 July 2011	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference *	Current inquiries as at 31 December 2011
Select Committee	1	0	1 +(1*)	0

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	8	32:26	0	0:00	14	1:56	0	0:00	22	34:22

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	15	3	2	0	0	0	0	2

	Witnesses				Hansard Pages			No of Submissions	No Of Pages	Government Responses
	Televised Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Estimates	Bills	General			
Select Committee	6	0	0	71	0	0	416	41	842	0

* includes 1 Interim report

Select Committee on the Scrutiny of New Taxes

1 July 2011 to 30 November 2011

Method of appointment

Pursuant to resolution agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Mathias Cormann (WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 30.09.10)</i>	30.09.10
Senator Doug Cameron (NSW, ALP) <i>(appointed Deputy Chair on 22.07.11)</i>	30.09.10
Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	24.09.11
Senator Mitch Fifield (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator John Madigan (VIC, DLP)	07.07.11
Senator Matt Thistlethwaite (NSW, ALP) <i>(Deputy Chair 07.07.11–15.07.11)</i>	01.07.11
Senator John Williams (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10

Participating members	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Judith Adams (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Chris Back (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Guy Barnett (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Cory Bernardi (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Simon Birmingham (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Bishop (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Sue Boyce (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon George Brandis (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Michaelia Cash (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Trish Crossin (NT, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Alan Eggleston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon John Faulkner (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mary Jo Fisher (SA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Mark Furner (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gary Humphries (ACT, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Annette Hurley (SA, ALP)	30.09.10

Senator the Hon David Johnston (WA, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Barnaby Joyce (QLD, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ian Macdonald (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Gavin Marshall (VIC, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Brett Mason (QLD, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Anne McEwen (SA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Claire Moore (QLD, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Fiona Nash (NSW, NATS)	30.09.10
Senator Stephen Parry (TAS, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Marise Payne (NSW, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Helen Polley (TAS, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Louise Pratt (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator Scott Ryan (VIC, LP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion (NT, CLP)	30.09.10
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens (NSW, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Glenn Sterle (WA, ALP)	30.09.10
Senator Nick Xenophon (SA, IND)	25.10.10

Former members

Term of appointment

Senator David Bushby (TAS, LP)	30.09.10–23.09.11
Senator the Hon Ronald Boswell (QLD, NATS)	23.09.11–24.09.11

Former participating member

Term of appointment

Senator the Hon Helen Coonan (NSW, LP)	30.09.10–22.08.11
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Reports presented out of session that discharged a reference

Nil

Inquiries

As at 1.7.2011

	Date Referred	Public Hearings	Reports Tabled	Current Inquiry <i>As at 31.12.2011</i>
Inquiry into Carbon Tax Pricing Mechanisms	30.09.2010	22.07.2011—Sydney 25.07.2011—Brisbane 03.08.2011—Tamworth 05.08.2011—Mackay 10.08.2011—Canberra 01.09.2011—Geelong 16.09.2011 & 23.09.2011— Canberra	The carbon tax: Economic pain for no environmental gain—Interim report (presented OOS 07.10.2011; tabled 11.10.2011) The carbon tax: Secrecy and spin cannot hide carbon tax flaws—Final report (tabled 01.11.2011)	No
Inquiry into a National Mining Tax	30.09.2010	Nil	presented OOS 29.06.2011; tabled 04.07.2011	No

New References

1.7.2011–30.11.2011

Nil

Government Responses

- The Student Amenities Fee—Another Tax by Another Name (tabled 15.09.2011; report tabled 28.02.2011)

Other Committees

1 July 2011–31 December 2011

Regulations and Ordinances (Legislative Scrutiny Standing)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 23.

Current members

Senator Furner (Chair), Senator the Hon M. Ronaldson (Deputy Chair), and Senators Cash, Marshall, Moore and Ryan

Secretary

Mr Ivan Powell (*Acting Secretary*) Phone: (02) 6277 3066 Fax: (020) 6277 5881

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 <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Ministerial correspondence relating to the scrutiny of delegated legislation (tabled 15.09.2011)
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 8 Briefings: 0 Total: 8
No of instruments scrutinised	786
Notices of motion to disallow	1
Notices withdrawn	1
Notices pending	0

Scrutiny of Bills (Legislative Scrutiny Standing)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24.

Current members

Senator Fifield (Chair), Senator Carol Brown (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bishop, Edwards, Marshall and Siewert

Secretary

Ms Toni Dawes (02) 6277 3050 Fax: (02) 6277 5881

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 2011 and 31 December 2011, the committee considered 131 bills, and commented on 61 bills in 14 Alert Digests. The committee also produced 14 Reports containing correspondence from Ministers addressing its concerns.

On 23 November 2011 the committee tabled its interim report for the inquiry into the future role and direction of the Senate Scrutiny of Bills Committee.

New references <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Alert digests tabled <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	No. 7 of 2011 (6 July 2011) No. 8 of 2011 (17 August 2011) No. 9 of 2011 (24 August 2011) No. 10 of 2011 (14 September 2011) No. 11 of 2011 (21 September 2011) No. 12 of 2011 (12 October 2011) No. 13 of 2011 (2 November 2011) No. 14 of 2011 (23 November 2011)

Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	<p>Seventh Report of 2011 (6 July 2011)</p> <p>Eighth Report of 2011 (17 August 2011)</p> <p>Ninth Report of 2011 (24 August 2011)</p> <p>Tenth Report of 2011 (14 September 2011)</p> <p>Eleventh Report of 2011 (21 September 2011)</p> <p>Twelfth Report of 2011 (12 October 2011)</p> <p>Thirteenth Report of 2011 (2 November 2011)</p> <p>Fourteenth Report of 2011 (23 November 2011)</p>
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	<p>Private: 8</p> <p>Briefings:</p> <p>Total: 8</p>

Appropriations and Staffing (Standing)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

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 E Abetz), and Senators Faulkner, Lundy, Parry, Sherry, Williams and Xenophon

Secretary

Mr James Warmenhoven Phone: (02) 6277 3015 Fax: (02) 6277 3448

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 <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Annual Report 2010–11
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 1 Briefings: 0 Total: 1

House (Standing)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 21.

Current members

The President (Senator the Hon J Hogg) (Chair), the Deputy President (Senator S Parry), and Senators Crossin, Heffernan and Stephens

Secretary

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Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: *2 Public: Briefings: Total: *2
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**Sitting jointly with a similar committee of the House of Representatives*

Privileges (Standing)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 18.

Current members

Senator Johnston (Chair), Senator Faulker (Deputy Chair), and Senators Brandis, Gallacher, Ludlam, Payne, Sterle and Urquhart

Former members

Senators Hurley, Collins, Farrell, Feeney, McLucas, O'Brien, Cameron, McGauran

Secretary

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New references <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Rural Affairs and Transport References Committee—possible improper interference with, and imposition of a penalty upon, a witness (referred 16 August 2011)
Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	147 th Report—Person referred to in the Senate: Reverend Monsignor Ian Dempsey (tabled 22 September 2011) 148 th Report—Person referred to in the Senate: Mr Ian Lazar (tabled 13 October 2011) 149 th Report—Person referred to in the Senate: Mr Henry Ergas (tabled 7 November 2011)
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 9 Briefings: Total: 9

Procedure (Standing)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 17.

Current members

The Deputy President (Senator S Parry) (Chair), the President (Senator the Hon J Hogg), the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator the Hon C Evans), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator the Hon E Abetz), and Senators Faulkner, Fifield, Ludwig, McEwen and Siewert

Secretary

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Current inquiry <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: Briefings: Total: 0

Publications (Standing)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22.

Current members

Senator Carol Brown (Chair), Senator Bernardi (Deputy Chair) and Senators Furner, Marshall, Mason, Parry and Sterle

Secretary

Mr Matthew Keele

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Public hearings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	7 th Report (tabled 07.07.2011) 8 th Report (tabled 25.08.2011) 9 th Report (tabled 22.09.2011) 10 th Report (tabled 13.10.2011) 11 th Report (tabled 03.11.2011) 12 th Report (tabled 25.11.2011)
Government response <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Inquiry into the development of a digital repository and electronic distribution of the Parliamentary Papers Series: Recommendation 5 (tabled 15.09.2011)
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 6* Briefings: Total: 6

**All meetings held as a joint committee with a similar committee of the House of Representatives*

Selection of Bills (Standing)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 24A.

Current members

The Government Whip (Senator McEwen) (Chair), the Opposition Whip (Senator Kroger), The Nationals Whip (Senator Williams), the Australian Greens Whip (Senator Siewert) and Senators Adams, Carol Brown Fifield and Ludwig

Secretary

Ms Maureen Weeks

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Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Report Nos 9 to 17 of 2011
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 9 Briefings: Total: 9

Senators' Interests (Standing)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Senate Standing Order 22A.

Current members

Senator Bernardi (Chair), Senator Marshall (Deputy Chair) and Senators Adams, Bilyk, Humphries, Johnston, Stephens and Waters

Former members

Senators Fifield, Bob Brown, Pratt and Siewert

Secretary

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Current inquiry <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Development of a draft code of conduct for senators (referred 02.03.2011)
Register of Senators' Interests <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Register of Senators' Interests incorporating Notifications of alterations lodged between 1 July and 5 August 2011 Register of Senators' Interests incorporating Statements of Registrable Interests of Senators lodged by 5 August 2011 Register of Senators' Interests incorporating Statements of Registrable Interests of Senators lodged between 6 August and 30 November 2011
Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 4 Briefings: Total: 4

Australia's Clean Energy Future Legislation (Joint Select)

14 September 2011 to 7 October 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 14 September 2011 and agreed to by the Senate on 14 September 2011.

Members

Ms A E Burke MP (*Chair*) and Senator Milne (*Deputy Chair*), and Senators Birmingham, Cormann, Pratt and Urquhart and, Mr Husic MP, Mr Ripoll MP, Mr Cheeseman MP, Mr Christensen MP, Mrs Gash MP, Mr Tony Smith MP, Mr Windsor MP and Mr Bandt MP

Secretary

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Reports presented <i>14 September 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Advisory report on the Clean Energy Bills and the Steel Transformation Bill 2011 (presented OOS 07.10.2011; tabled 11.10.2011)
Meetings <i>14 September 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 4 Briefings: 0 Public Hearings: 4 Total: 8

Cyber-Safety (Joint Select)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010. Resolution amended in the Senate on 15 September 2011 and in the House of Representatives on 24 November 2011.

Current members

Senator Bilyk (Chair) (*from 07.07.11*), Mr A Hawke MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bushby, Ludlam, Parry and Pratt and Mr Danby MP (*from 12.10.11*), Mr Husic MP (*until 12.10.11*), Ms Marino MP, Mr Perrett MP, Ms Rishworth MP, Mr Zappia MP

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Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Review of the Cybercrime Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 (tabled 18.08.2011)
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 10 Public: 1 Briefings: 5 Total: 16

National Broadband Network (Joint Select)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 2 March 2011 and agreed to by the Senate on 3 March 2011.

Current members

Mr R Oakeshott MP (Chair), Mrs Y D'Ath MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators C Brown, Birmingham, Cameron, Fisher, Ludlam, Macdonald, Stephens, and Mr P Fletcher MP, Mr L Hartsuyker MP, Mr E Husic MP, the Hon S Ley MP, Ms A Rishworth MP, Mr M Symon MP, the Hon M Turnbull MP

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Adams, Back, Barnett, Bernardi, Bilyk, Bishop, Boswell, Boyce, Brandis, Bushby, Cash, Colbeck, Cormann, Crossin, Eggleston, Faulkner, Fierravanti-Wells, Fifield, Furner, Heffernan, Humphries, Johnston, Joyce, Kroger, Marshall, Mason, McEwen, Moore, Nash, O'Brien, Parry, Payne, Polley, Pratt, Ronaldson, Ryan, Scullion, Sterle, Williams, Xenophon, and Mr Neville MP and Mr Scott MP

Secretary

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Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	An advisory report on the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Fibre Deployment) Bill 2011 (tabled 05.07.2011) Review of the rollout of the National Broadband Network (presented OOS 31.08.2011; tabled 12.09.2011) Review of the Rollout of the National Broadband Network (tabled 25.11.2011)
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 8 Public: 5 Briefings: 2 Total: 15

Electoral Matters (Joint)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Mr Melham MP (Chair), Mr Somlyay MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Birmingham, Carol Brown, Polley and Ryan and Mrs B Bishop MP, Mr Griffin MP and Ms Rishworth MP

Members *(for the committee's inquiry into the funding of political parties and election campaigns)*

Mr Melham MP (Chair), Mr Somlyay MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Carol Brown, Polley, Rhiannon and Ryan and Mrs B Bishop MP, Mr Darren Chester MP, Mr Griffin MP, Ms Rishworth MP, Mr Dan Tehan MP, Mr Tony Windsor MP

Participating members *(for the committee's inquiry into the funding of political parties and election campaigns)*

Senators Abetz, Adams, Back, Bernardi, Bilyk, Birmingham, Boswell, Boyce, Brandis, Bushby, Cameron, Cash, Colbeck, Coonan (*until 22.08.11*), Cormann, Crossin, Edwards, Eggleston, Faulkner, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Fifield, Fisher, Furner, Heffernan, Humphries, Johnston, Joyce, Kroger, Macdonald, Marshall, Mason, McKenzie, Nash, Parry, Payne, Pratt, Ronaldson, Scullion, Stephens, Sterle, Williams and Xenophon

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Current inquiry <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Inquiry into the 2010 Federal Election (tabled 7 July 2011) Report on the funding of political parties and election campaigns (presented OOS 9 December 2011)
Government responses tabled <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Report on the 2007 federal election—Events in the division of Lindsay—Review of penalty provisions in the <i>Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918</i> (presented OOS 01.07.2011; tabled 04.07.2011) Civics and electoral education (presented OOS 29.08.2011; tabled 12.09.2011)
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 15 Public: 8 Total: 18

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Joint)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current Members

Mr M Dandby MP (Chair), Mrs J Gash MP (Deputy Chair), and Senator M Bishop, Senator D Fawcett, Senator M Furner, Senator S Hanson-Young, Senator the Hon D Johnston, Senator S Ludlam, Senator the Hon I Macdonald, Senator A McEwen, Senator C Moore, Senator S Parry, Senator M Payne, Senator the Hon U Stephens, The Hon D Adams MP, The Hon J Bishop MP, Ms G Brodtmann MP, The Hon A Byrne MP, Mr N Champion MP, The Hon L Ferguson MP, The Hon J Fitzgibbon MP, Mr S Gibbons MP, The Hon A Griffin MP, Dr D Jensen MP, Mrs S Mirabella MP, The Hon J Murphy MP, Mr Ken O'Dowd MP, Ms M Parke MP, Mr S Robert MP, The Hon P Ruddock MP, Ms J Saffin MP, The Hon B Scott MP, The Hon Dr S Stone MP and Ms M Vamvakinou MP

Former Members

Senator the Hon J Faulkner, Senator the Hon A Ferguson, Senator M Forshaw, Senator K O'Brien, Senator R Trood, Mr S Georganas MP

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Inquiry into Australia's Human Rights Dialogues with China and Vietnam Inquiry into Australia's trade and investment relationship with Japan and the Republic of Korea Review of the Defence Annual Report 2009–10 Inquiry into Australia's Overseas Representation Review of the Defence Annual Report 2010–11
Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Review of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade annual report 2009–10 (presented OOS 21.07.11; tabled 16.08.11) Inquiry into Australia's trade and investment relations with Asia, the Pacific and Latin America (tabled 23.08.11) Customs Amendment (Military End-Use) Bill 2011 and Defence Trade Controls Bill 2011—Statement discharging the committee's requirement to present a report (tabled 22.11.2011)
Government responses <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Review of the Defence annual report 2008–09 (presented OOS 28.06.2011; tabled 04.07.2011)

Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 62 Public Hearings: 7 Briefings: 46 Total: 115
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Migration (Joint)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Ms Vamvakinou MP (Chair), Mrs Markus MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bilyk (*until 05.07.11*), Cash, Gallacher (*from 05.07.11*), Hanson-Young and Singh and Mr Georganas MP, The Hon Ms Gambaro MP, Mr Ramsey MP and Mr Zappia MP

Secretary

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Current inquiries <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Inquiry into Multiculturalism in Australia
Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Government responses <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 9 Public: 13 Briefings: 0 Total: 22

National Capital and External Territories (Joint)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Senator Pratt (Chair), Mr Simpkins MP (Deputy Chair), and the Deputy President (Senator Parry) and Senators Adams, Crossin, and Humphries and The Hon Mr Adams MP, Ms Brodtmann MP, Dr Leigh MP and Mr Secker MP and Mr Simpkins MP

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Current inquiries <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Etched in stone? Inquiry into the administration of the National Memorials Ordinance 1928 (tabled 25.11.2011)
Government responses <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Inquiry into the changing economic environment in the Indian Ocean Territories (tabled 07.11.2011)
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 6 Public: 5 Total: 11

Parliamentary Library (Joint Standing)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Current members

Senators Barnett, Bilyk, Cameron, Madigan and Mr Adams MP (Joint Chair), Mr Broadbent MP, Mr N Champion MP, Mr G Christensen MP, Mr Melham MP and Mr C Thomson MP

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Meetings	Private: 2
<i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Public:
	Total: 2

Treaties (Joint)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to Resolution of the House of Representatives of 29 September 2010 and agreed to by the Senate on 30 September 2010.

Members

Mr KJ Thomson MP (Chair), Senator Birmingham (Deputy Chair) (*from 12.09.11*), Senators Cash (*until 07.07.11*), Coonan (*until 22.08.11*), Fawcett (*from 23.08.11*), Ludlam, Singh, Thistlethwaite, Urquhart and Ms Bird MP, Mr Briggs MP, Mr Forrest MP, Mr Grierson MP, Ms Livermore MP, Ms Parke MP, Ms Rowland MP and The Hon Dr Stone MP

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Current inquiries <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Treaty tabled on 24 November 2011 Treaties tabled on 22 November 2011 Treaty tabled on 21 November 2011 Treaties tabled on 2 November 2011 Treaty tabled on 13 October 2011
Documents tabled <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	118 th report—Treaties tabled on 23 March and 11 May 2011 (tabled 17.08.2011) 119 th report—Treaty tabled on 5 July 2011 (tabled 15.09.2011) 120 th report—Treaties tabled on 5 July and 16 August 2011 (tabled 12.10.2011) 121 st report—Treaty tabled on 16 August 2011 (tabled 01.11.2011) 122 nd report—Treaties tabled on 23 August, 13 September, 20 September and 13 October 2011 (tabled 22.11.2011)
Government responses <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	116 th report—Review into Treaties tabled on 24 and 25 November 2010, 9 February and 1 March 2011 and Treaties referred on 16 November 2010 (part 3) (tabled 22.09.2011)
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 9 Public: 6 Briefings: 0 Total: 15

Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act 1946*.

Current members

The Speaker (Mr Harry Jenkins MP) (Chair) (*until 24.11.11*); (Mr Peter Slipper MP) (Chair) (*from 24.11.11*) the President (Senator the Hon John Hogg) (Vice Chair) and Senator Carol Brown, Senator Stephen Parry, Mr Mark Coulton MP, Mr Chris Hayes MP, The Hon John Murphy MP, Wyatt Roy MP and Ms Maria Vamvakinou MP

Former members

Mr Hale MP, The Hon D Hawker MP, The Hon P Lindsay MP and the Hon R Price MP

Secretary

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Documents tabled <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 2 Public: Total: 2

Intelligence and Security (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to *Intelligence Services Act 2001*; amended by the *Intelligence Services Legislation Amendment Act 2005* on 2 December 2005

Members

The Hon Mr Byrne MP (Chair), Mr Ruddock MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bishop, Brandis, Faulkner, Johnston and Stephens and Mr Danby MP, Mr Forrest MP, Mr Melham MP and Mr Wilkie MP

Secretary

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Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Review of the listing of AQAP and the re-listing of six terrorist organisations (tabled 23.08.2011) Annual report of committee activities 2010–11 (tabled 22.11.2011)
Government responses received <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Review of administration and expenditure No. 8–Australian intelligence (tabled 22.09.2011)
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private (meetings): 6 Public (hearings): 0 In camera (hearings): 0 Briefings: 2 Total: 9

Public Accounts and Audit (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to *Public Accounts and Audit Committee Act 1951*.

Membership

Mr R Oakshott MP (Chair), Mrs Y D'Ath MP (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bishop, Kroger and Sterle, Thistlethwaite and Milne (05.07.11–07.07.11) and Mr Adams MP, Mr Briggs MP, Ms Brodtmann MP, Mr Cheeseman MP, Mr Frydenberg MP, Ms D O'Neill MP, Ms Smyth MP, Mr Somlyay MP

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Current inquiries <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Nil
Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	<p>423rd report—Review of Auditor-General's reports Nos. 39 of 2009–10 to 15 of 2010–11 (tabled 05.07.2011)</p> <p>424th report—Eighth biannual hearing with the Commissioner of Taxation (tabled 04.07.2011)</p> <p>425th report—Annual report 2010–11 (tabled 13.10.2011)</p> <p>426th report—Ninth biannual hearing with the Commissioner of Taxation (tabled 25.11.2011)</p> <p>427th report—Inquiry into National Funding Agreements (tabled 24.11.2011)</p> <p>428th report—Review of Auditor-General's Reports Nos. 16 to 46 2010–11 (tabled 24.11.2011)</p>
Government responses received <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	<p>419th report—Inquiry into the <i>Auditor-General Act 1997</i> (tabled 13.09.2011)</p> <p>421st report—Role of the Auditor-General in scrutinising government advertising campaigns (presented OOS 09.12.2011; tabled 12.09.2011)</p> <p>422nd report—Review of the 2009–10 Defence Materiel Organisation Major Projects Report (tabled 24.11.2011)</p>
Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	<p>Full committee: 7 hrs 32 mins</p> <p>Sectional committees: 17 hrs 55 mins</p> <p>Total: 25 hrs 27 mins</p>

Public Works (Joint Statutory)

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Appointment

Pursuant to *Public Works Act 1969*.

Current members

Ms Janelle Saffin MP (Chair), Mr John Forrest MP (Deputy Chair from 07.07.11), Senator Sue Boyce, Senator Alex Gallacher and Senator Anne Urquhart, Mrs Karen Andrews MP, Mr Steve Georganas MP, Mr Bernie Ripoll MP and Mr Patrick Secker MP

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Current inquiries <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	<p>Proposed Construction of a new Australian Embassy complex including Chancery and Head of Mission residence in Bangkok, Thailand</p> <p>Proposed HMAS Albatross Redevelopment, Nowra, NSW</p> <p>Proposed Royal Australian Air Force Base East Sale Redevelopment, Sale, Victoria</p> <p>LAND 17 Phase 1A Infrastructure Project</p> <p>Construction of Projects Two and Three of the Christmas Island New Housing Program</p> <p>Proposed Development and Construction of Housing for Defence at Rasmussen, Townsville</p> <p>Proposed Development and Construction of Housing for Defence at Ermington, Sydney</p>
Reports presented <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	<p>4th Report of 2011—Referrals made May to June 2011:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Proposed fit-out of new leased premises for the Human Services Portfolio at Greenway, Australian Capital Territory;• Proposed fit-out of new leased premises for the Australian Taxation Office at the site known as 55 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane, Queensland;• Proposed contamination remediation works, former fire training area, RAAF Base Williams, Point Cook, Victoria;• Proposed Specific Nutritional Capability Project for Defence Science and Technology Organisation at Scottsdale, Tasmania (tabled 23.08.11) <p>Public works on Christmas Island (tabled 31.10.2011)</p>

Other Committees

Meetings <i>1 July 2011–31 December 2011</i>	Private: 10 Public: 7 Inspections: 1 Total: *18
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* Inspections that have been followed by a public meeting have been counted as a single meeting of the Committee

**Committee-related
activity in the chamber**

1 July 2011 to 31 December 2011

Details of Reports tabled in the Senate and other related matters

Matters Referred to Committees

During the reporting period, 55 matters were referred to Senate Committees for inquiry and report (including 33 Individual/Packages of Bills referred through the Selection of Bills Committee, 2 Individual/Packages of Bills referred directly to Legislation committees, 12 matters referred to References committees and 8 matters referred to Joint Select committees). The details are as follows:

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
EEWR Leg	Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment (Fair Protection for Firefighters) Bill 2011 (for inquiry and report by 15.09.11)	05.07.11 (1)
ECO Leg	Exposure draft of the Business Names Registration Bill 2011; Business Names Registration (Fees) Bill 2011; and Business Names Registration (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2011 (for inquiry and report by 15.08.11)	06.07.11 (3)
CA Ref	A review of the Professional Services Review (PSR) Scheme (for inquiry and report by 22.09.11)	
RAT Ref	An examination of the Foreign Investment Review Board (FIRB) national interest test (for inquiry and report by 30.11.11)	
ECO Leg	Bankruptcy Amendment (Exceptional Circumstances Exit Package) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 21.09.11)	07.07.11 (8)
ECO Leg	Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Fees) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14.09.11)	
FPA Leg	Government Advertising (Accountability) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 21.09.11)	
FPA Leg	Public Service Amendment (Payments in Special Circumstances) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 16.08.11)	
ACLEI (Joint)	Inquiry into Integrity Testing (agreed to by the committee)	
CA Leg	Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 15.09.11)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Early Release of Superannuation) Bill 2011 (referred pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee)	
EEWR Leg	Work Health and Safety Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Work Health and Safety (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 26.08.11)	
Law Enforcement (Joint)	Inquiry into Commonwealth unexplained wealth legislation and arrangements (agreed to by the committee)	13.07.11 (1)
EC Ref	Recent programming decisions made by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) (for inquiry and report by 12.10.11)	17.08.11 (2)
LCA Ref	Australia's agreement with Malaysia in relation to asylum seekers (for inquiry and report by 22.09.11)	
LCA Leg	Trade Marks Amendment (Tobacco Plain Packaging) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 19.09.11)	18.08.11 (2)
RAT Leg	Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 21.11.11)	
EEWR Ref	The administration and purchasing of Disability Employment Services (DES) in Australia (for inquiry and report by 22.11.11)	22.08.11 (1)
FPA Leg	National Health Reform Amendment (Independent Hospital Pricing Authority) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 15.09.11)	25.08.11 (1)
RAT Leg	Qantas Sale Amendment (Still Call Australia Home) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 02.11.11)	15.09.11 (3)
RAT Leg	Quarantine Amendment (Disallowing Permits) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 02.11.11)	
ECO Leg	Constitutional Corporations (Farm Gate to Plate) Bill 2011 [No. 2] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 24.11.11)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
EEWR Ref	Higher education and skills training to support future demand in agriculture and agribusiness in Australia (for inquiry and report by 01.03.12)	19.09.11 (1)
ECO Leg	Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 23.11.11)	22.09.11 (5)
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011(pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee for inquiry and report by 10.11.11)	
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2011 (pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee for inquiry and report by 29.02.12)	
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (MySuper Core Provisions) Bill 2011 (pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee for inquiry and report by 21.03.12)	
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2011 (pursuant to House of Representatives Selection Committee for inquiry and report by 29.02.12)	
CA Ref	The factors affecting the supply and distribution of health services and medical professionals in rural areas (for inquiry and report by 30.04.12)	13.10.11 (3)
EEWR Leg	Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection Service and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions], the Education Services for Overseas Students (TPS Levies) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Tuition Protection Service) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 01.12.11)	
EC Leg	Australian Renewable Energy Agency Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 07.11.11)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
ECO Leg	Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14.03.12)	03.11.11 (6)
ECO Leg	Tax Laws Amendment (2011 Measures No. 8) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Pay As You Go Withholding Non-compliance Tax Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 08.02.12)	
EC Leg	Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency Bill 2011 [Provisions], the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Universal Service Reform) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Telecommunications (Industry Levy) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 27.02.12)	
LCA Leg	Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Online Games) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14.03.12)	
LCA Leg	Deterring People Smuggling Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 21.11.11)	
LCA Leg	Personal Property Securities Amendment (Registration Commencement) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 21.11.11)	
EEWR Ref	Infrastructure delivery and engineering skills shortages (for inquiry and report by 30.06.12)	07.11.11 (1)
ECO Leg	Minerals Resource Rent Tax Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Assessment Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Tax Laws Amendment (Stronger, Fairer, Simpler and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-General) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Customs) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Excise) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-General) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Customs) Bill 2011 [Provisions]; Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition-Excise) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14.03.12)	10.11.11 (5)

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
EEWR Ref	Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 29.02.12)	
EC Leg	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Emergency Listings) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 07.02.12)	
FADT Leg	Defence Trade Controls Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 12.04.12)	
RAT Leg	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Protecting Australia's Water Resources) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 27.02.12)	
CA Ref	The provision of palliative care in Australia (for inquiry and report by 12.09.12)	23.11.11 (1)
FADT Ref	The importance of the Indian Ocean rim for Australia's foreign, trade and defence policy (for inquiry and report by 01.11.12)	24.11.11 (3)
FPA Ref	The operation of the <i>Lobbying Code of Conduct</i> and the Lobbyist Register (for inquiry and report by 01.03.12)	
LCA Ref	Prospective marriage visas (for inquiry and report by 03.05.12)	
LCA Leg	Access to Justice (Federal Jurisdiction) Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 22.03.12)	25.11.11 (7)
ECO Leg	Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14.03.12)	
LCA Leg	Crimes Amendment (Fairness for Minors) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 22.03.12)	
EEWR Leg	Fair Work Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industry) Bill 2011 (through the Selection of Bills committee for inquiry and report by 27.02.12)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
RAT Leg	Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 08.02.12)	
CA Leg	Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 29.02.12)	
CA Leg	Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions], Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2011 [Provisions] and the Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 29.02.12)	
ACLEI (Joint)	Inquiry into integrity of overseas Commonwealth law enforcement operations (agreed to by the committee)	06.12.11 (1)

Reports tabled by Senate Committees

During the reporting period, committees supported by the Senate Committee Office tabled/presented 75 reports (including 28 Legislation committee reports, 29 References committee reports and 18 Joint/Select committee reports). The details are as follows:

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
Scrutiny of New Taxes (Select)	*The mining tax: A bad tax out of a flawed process (presented out of session on 29 June 2011) (<i>report is part of the Terms of Reference for Scrutiny of New Taxes—reference has not been discharged</i>)	04.07.11 (6)
Christmas Island Tragedy (Joint Select)	Report (presented out of session on 29 June 2011)	
LCA Leg	Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test and Other Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (presented out of session on 29 June 2011)	
ECO Ref	*State government insurance and the flood levy—Second Interim report (presented out of session on 30 June 2011)	

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
Reform of the Australian Federation (Select)	Australia's Federation: An agenda for reform (presented out of session on 30 June 2011)	
FPA Ref	Superannuation claims of former and current Commonwealth Public Service employees (presented out of session on 30 June 2011)	
CA Ref	Disability and Ageing: lifelong planning for a better future	06.07.11 (1)
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (Joint)	Inquiry into the operation of the <i>Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006</i>	07.07.11 (2)
LCA Leg	Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]	
ECO Ref	*State Government insurance and the flood levy—Third Interim report (presented out of session on 29 July 2011)	16.08.11 (2)
ECO Leg	Exposure draft of the Business Names Registration Bill 2011, the Business Names (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2011 and the Business Names Registration (Fees) Bill 2011 (presented out of session on 15 August 2011)	
FPA Ref	The Government's administration of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme	17.08.11 (1)
FADT Leg	Veterans' Entitlements Amendment Bill 2011 [Provisions]	18.08.11 (3)
FPA Leg	Public Service Amendment (Payments in Special Circumstances) Bill 2011	
LCA Leg	Migration Amendment (Detention Reform and Procedural Fairness) Bill 2010	
LCA Leg	Family Law Legislation Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	22.08.11 (1)
LCA Leg	Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2011	23.08.11 (2)
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Early Release of Superannuation) Bill 2011	

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CA Leg	Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Genetically Modified Material) Bill 2010	24.08.11 (3)
Law Enforcement (Joint)	Examination of the annual report of the Australian Federal Police 2009–10	
Law Enforcement (Joint)	Examination of the annual report of the Australian Crime Commission 2009–10	
FADT Ref	Department of Defence's request for tender for aviation contracts and associated issues	25.08.11 (1)
EEWR Leg	Work Health and Safety Bill 2011 and the Work Health and Safety (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (presented out of session on 26 August 2011)	12.09.11 (4)
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission	
Gambling Reform (Joint Select)	Poker Machine Harm Reduction Tax (Administration) Bill 2008 [2010] (presented out of session on 30 August 2011)	
Gambling Reform (Joint Select)	*Poker Machine (Reduced Losses—Interim Measures) Bill 2010 (presented out of session on 30 August 2011)	
ECO Leg	Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Fees) Bill 2011	14.09.11 (1)
EEWR Leg	Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment (Fair Protection for Firefighters) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	15.09.11 (2)
FPA Leg	National Health Reform Amendment (Independent Hospital Pricing Authority) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	
CA Leg	Disability Impairment Tables: Provisions of Schedule 3 of the Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2011	19.09.11 (2)
LCA Leg	Trade Marks Amendment (Tobacco Plain Packaging) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	

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ECO Leg	Bankruptcy Amendment (Exceptional Circumstances Exit Package) Bill 2011	21.09.11 (3)
FPA Leg	Government Advertising (Accountability) Bill 2011	
LCA Leg	Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010	
ECO Ref	The asset insurance arrangements of Australian state governments—Final report	22.09.11 (3)
EC Ref	The koala—saving our national icon	
FADT Ref	Part II: Incidents onboard HMAS <i>Success</i> between March and May 2009 and subsequent events	
CA Ref	The effectiveness of special arrangements for the supply of Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme medicines to remote area Aboriginal health services	11.10.11 (5)
FPA Leg	Exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation: Part 2—Credit reporting (presented out of session on 6 October 2011)	
Australia's Immigration Detention Network (Joint Select)	*Interim report (presented out of session on 7 October 2011)	
Scrutiny of New Taxes (Select)	*The carbon tax: Economic pain for no environmental gain—Interim report (presented out of session on 7 October 2011)	
LCA Ref	Australia's arrangement with Malaysia in relation to asylum seekers	
EC Ref	Recent ABC programming decisions	13.10.11 (1)
CA Ref	*Government's funding and administration of mental health services in Australia—Interim report (presented out of session on 20 October 2011)	31.10.11 (4)
CA Ref	*Government's funding and administration of mental health services in Australia—Second interim report (presented out of session on 28 October 2011)	

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CA Ref	Review of the Professional Services Review (PSR) Scheme (presented out of session on 25.10.11)	
LCA Ref	International parental child abduction to and from Australia	
CA Ref	Inquiry into Commonwealth Funding and Administration of Mental Health Services—Final report	01.11.11 (2)
Scrutiny of New Taxes (Select)	The carbon tax: Secrecy and spin cannot hide carbon tax flaws—Final report	
RAT Leg	Quarantine Amendment (Disallowing Permits) Bill 2011	02.11.11 (1)
ECO Ref	The impacts of supermarket price decisions on the Australian dairy industry	03.11.11 (1)
EC Leg	Australian Renewable Energy Agency Bill 2011 and the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	07.11.11 (1)
LCA Leg	Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill 2011	09.11.11 (1)
ECO Leg	Tax Laws Amendment (2011 Measures No. 8) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and Pay As You Go Withholding Non-compliance Tax Bill 2011 [Provisions]	21.11.11 (3)
LCA Leg	Detering People Smuggling Bill 2011	
LCA Leg	Personal Property Securities Amendment (Registration Commencement) Bill 2011 [Provisions]	
CA Ref	Regulatory standards for the approval of medical devices in Australia	22.11.11 (1)
EC Ref	The capacity of communication networks and emergency warning systems to deal with emergencies and natural disasters	23.11.11 (2)
RAT Ref	Animal welfare standards in Australia's live export markets and the Live Animal Export (Slaughter) Prohibition Bill 2011 [No. 2] and Live Animal Export Restriction and Prohibition Bill 2011 [No. 2]	

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Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	*Interim report: Inquiry into the Collapse of Trio Capital	24.11.11 (1)
ACLEI (Joint)	Inquiry into Integrity Testing (tabled in the House of Representatives 21.11.2011)	25.11.11 (7)
EEWR Ref	The administration and purchasing of disability employment services in Australia	
FADT Ref	Held Hostage: Government's response to kidnappings of Australian citizens overseas	
ECO Ref	Investing for good: The development of a capital market for the not-for-profit sector in Australia	
ECO Leg	Constitutional Corporations (Farm Gate to Plate) Bill 2011 [No. 2]	
LCA Leg	Northern Land Council's evidence to the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the National Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2010	
LCA Ref	Unauthorised disclosure of committee proceedings relating to the committee's inquiry into Australia's arrangement with Malaysia on asylum seekers	
FADT (Ref)	*Procurement procedures for Defence capital projects—Interim report (presented OOS 30.11.2011)	(8)
RAT (Ref)	*The impact of mining coal seam gas on the management of the Murray Darling Basin—Interim report (presented OOS 30.11.2011)	
Corporations & Financial Services (Joint)	Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011 (presented OOS 02.12.2011)	
ECO Leg	Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011 [Provisions] (presented OOS 07.12.2011)	
Gambling Reform (Joint Select)	Prevalence of interactive and online gambling in Australia (presented OOS 08.12.2011)	

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
Gambling Reform (Joint Select)	Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011 (presented OOS 08.12.2011)	
RAT (Ref)	*Biosecurity and quarantine arrangements—Interim report: the management of the removal of the fee rebate for AQIS export certification functions (presented OOS 12.12.2011)	
FADT (Ref)	*Procurement procedures for Defence capital projects—Preliminary report (presented OOS 15.12.2011)	

* Reports that did not discharge a reference

Estimates reports:

During the reporting period Senate Legislation Committees tabled 1 report.

Reports on Annual Reports:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled 8 reports.

Government Responses to Committee Reports

The following table shows 23 Government responses to Senate Committee Reports:

Committee	Government Response	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
Agricultural and Related Industries (Select)	The incidence and severity of bushfires across Australia (report tabled 13.08.10)	06.07.11 (1)
LCA Ref	Australian Law Reform Commission (presented OOS 08.07.11; report tabled 08.04.2011)	16.08.11 (3)
EEWR Ref	Industry Skills Councils (presented OOS 25.07.2011; report tabled 23.03.2011)	
EC Leg	Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Bill 2011 [Provisions], Carbon Credits (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2011 [Provisions] and Australian National Registry of Emissions Units Bill 2011 [Provisions] (report tabled 27.05.2011)	
CA Ref	Towards recovery: Mental health services in Australia (report tabled 25.09.2008)	25.08.11 (2)

Committee	Government Response	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
Regional & Remote Indigenous Communities (Select)	Fourth report 2010 (report tabled 13.05.2010)	
FPA Ref	Government advertising and accountability (presented out of session on 08.09.11; report tabled 06.12.2005)	12.09.11 (1)
ECO Ref	Augmented Tax Assessments (report tabled 08.04.2011)	15.09.11 (2)
Scrutiny of New Taxes (Select)	The Student Amenities Fee—Another Tax by Another Name (report tabled 28.02.2011)	
ECA Standing	The operation of the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> (reports tabled 18.03.2009 & 30.04.2009)	22.09.11 (1)
FPA Ref	Superannuation Claims of former and current Commonwealth public service employees (report tabled 30.06.11)	13.10.11 (4)
Christmas Island Tragedy (Joint Select)	Christmas Island Tragedy of 15 December 2010 (report tabled 29.06.11)	
EEWR Ref	Administration and reporting of NAPLAN testing (report tabled 24.11.2010)	
ECO Ref	GROCERYchoice website (report tabled 18.11.2009)	
CA Leg	National registration and accreditation scheme for doctors and other health workers (report tabled 06.08.2009)	07.11.11 (2)
Law Enforcement (Joint)	Inquiry into the adequacy of aviation and maritime security measures to combat serious and organised crime (report tabled 16.06.2011)	
ECA Leg	Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Fibre Deployment) Bill 2010 (<i>letter from Minister to Committee Chair</i>) (report tabled 12.05.2010)	10.11.11 (1)
RRAT Ref	Climate change and the Australian agricultural sector (presented out of session 15.11.11; report tabled 04.12.08)	21.11.11 (4)
RAT Ref	Science underpinning the inability to eradicate the Asian honey bee (presented out of session 15.11.11; reports tabled 07.04.2011 & 23.06.2011)	

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EEWR Ref	Welfare of international students (presented out of session 18.11.11; report tabled 26.11.09)	
Reform of the Australian Federation (Select)	Australia's Federation: An agenda for reform (presented out of session 18.11.11; report tabled 30.06.11)	
RAT Ref	Pilot training and airline safety; and consideration of the Transport Safety Investigation Amendment (Incident Reports) Bill 2010 (report tabled 23.06.11)	22.11.11 (1)
RAT Leg	Exposure draft and explanatory memorandum of the Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011 (presented OOS 25.11.2011; report tabled 23.06.2011)	(1)

Additional Comments; Dissenting Reports; Minority Reports, Reports

(Note: These statistics record the signatory to the reports)

Legislation	LP/NAT	ALP	AG	IND	DLP
Additional Comments	11		1		
Dissenting Reports	5		5	5	
Minority Reports				2	
Report	1				
References	LP/NAT	ALP	AG	IND	DLP
Additional Comments	4	3	6	3	1
Dissenting Reports	1	1		1	
Minority Reports		3	1	1	
Select/Joint	LP/NAT	ALP	AG	IND	DLP
Additional Comments	1	2	1	3	
Dissenting Reports	1	1			1
Minority Reports					

LP/NAT (Liberal, National Party), ALP (Australian Labor Party), AG (Australian Greens),
DLP (Democratic Labor Party)

Extension of Time to present Reports

During the reporting period, 43 extensions of time: 6 one week or less; 14 over a week; and 23 over a month—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 leave to meet while the Senate was in session on 65 occasions.

Membership of Committees

During the reporting period, there were 200 membership changes of Committees.

Appointment of Committees

Nil

Change of Committee Name

Nil