WORK OF COMMITTEES

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FORMAT OF THIS REPORT

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

- the half year (1 January 2016 to 30 June 2016); and
- the financial year (1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016).

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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Additional hard copies may be obtained from the Office of the Senior Clerk of Committees, Senate Committee Office. Telephone: (02) 6277 3555.

NOTE ON THE DOUBLE DISSOLUTION OF 9 MAY 2016

Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees, Joint Committees, Select Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office and other committees ceased to exist when the Senate and the House of Representatives were dissolved on 9 May 2016 for a general election on 2 July 2016. Consequently, statistics reported in this publication have an end date of 9 May 2016.

ABBREVIATIONS

Committees

Budget Cuts Abbott Government's Budget Cuts

Budget Measures Scrutiny of Government Budget Measures

ACLEI Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity

CA Community Affairs

CFS Corporations and Financial Services

ECO Economics

EE Education and Employment

EC Environment and Communications
FADT Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
FPA Finance and Public Administration
Gas Mining Unconventional Gas Mining

Health Health

LCA Legal and Constitutional Affairs

LE Law Enforcement

Murray-Darling Murray-Darling Basin Plan
NBN National Broadband Network

NDIS National Disability Insurance Scheme

Nauru Recent Allegations relating to Conditions and

Circumstances at the Regional Processing Centre in Nauru

SFI School Funding Investment

NIC Establishment of a National Integrity Commission

RRAT Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

Political Affiliations

AG Australian Greens
ALP Australian Labor Party

AMEP Australian Motoring Enthusiast Party

CLP Country Liberal Party
FFP Family First Party
GLT Glenn Lazarus Team

IND Independent

LDP Liberal Democratic Party
LP Liberal Party of Australia

NATS The Nationals

PUP Palmer United Party

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Other publications available from the Committee Office:

Committee Reports*

Consolidated Register of Senate Committee Reports (1970–

2016) http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/register

Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing: The First 20 Years 1970-1990

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Significant_Reports/first20years/contents

Bills to referred to Senate committees

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Bills_Legislation/Bills_and_Committees/Bills_referred_to_Senate_committees

Today's Public Hearings (daily list of committee public hearings held in Canberra or interstate) http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Todays_Public_Hearings

Senate Committees: Upcoming Public Hearings (*list of all forthcoming committee public hearings*) http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary Business/Committees/Senate/Upcoming Public Hearings

^{*}A selection of reports presented prior to June 1997 and all reports tabled thereafter are available online.

Information pamphlets

Notes to assist in the preparation of submissions to Senate Committee inquiries http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/How_to_make_a_submiss ion

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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) http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Procedures_to_be_observed

Government Guidelines for official witnesses before Parliamentary Committees and related matters

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary Business/Senate Estimates/Guidelines for official witness

DIRECTORY OF COMMITTEES

Committee	Type	Administered	Phone (02)	Fax (02)
Appropriations, Staffing and Security	Standing	S	6277 3015	6277 5784
Australian Commission for Law	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5809
Enforcement Integrity				
Broadcasting of Parliamentary	Joint Statutory	Н	6277 4888	6277 4204
Proceedings				
Chairs	Standing	S	6277 3371	6277 3199
Community Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3518	6277 5829
Corporations and Financial Services	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3583	6277 5719
Economics*	LGPS	S	6277 3540	6277 5719
Electoral Matters	Joint	H	6277 4564	6277 4710
Education and Employment*	LGPS	S	6277 3521	6277 5706
Environment and Communications*	LGPS	S	6277 3526	6277 5818
Establishment of a National Integrity	Select	S	6277 3555	6277 3899
Commission				
Finance and Public Administration*	LGPS	S	6277 3439	6277 5809
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	Joint	Н	6277 4629	6277 2221
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade*	LGPS	S	6277 3535	6277 5818
Health	Select	S	6277 3555	6277 3899
House	Standing	S	6277 3398	6277 3199
Human Rights	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3823	6277 5767
Intelligence and Security	Joint Statutory	Н	6277 4629	6277 2067
Law Enforcement	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5809
Legal and Constitutional Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3594	6277 5794
Migration	Joint	Н	6277 4642	6277 4827
Murray-Darling Basin Plan	Select	S	6277 3555	6277 3899
National Broadband Network	Select	S	6277 3555	6277 3899
National Capital and External Territories	Joint	Н	6277 4564	6277 8478
National Disability Insurance Scheme	Joint	S	6277 3518	6277 5829
Northern Australia	Joint Select	Н	6277 4162	6277 4427
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	Н	6277 4615	6277 2220
Public Works	Joint Statutory	Н	6277 4636	6277 4426
Publications	Standing	S	6277 3037	6277 5784
Regulations and Ordinances	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3066	6277 5881
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Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport*	LGPS	S	6277 3511	6277 5811
School Funding Investment	Select	S	6277 3563	6277 5829
Scrutiny of Bills	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3051	6277 5881
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Scrutiny of Government Budget Measures	Select	S	6277 3439	6277 5809
Selection of Bills	Standing	S	6277 3020	6277 3098
Senators' Interests	Standing	S	6277 3360	6277 3199
Trade and Investment Growth	Joint Select	H	6277 4562	6277 4427
Treaties	Joint	H	6277 4642	6277 2219
Unconventional Gas Mining	Select	S	6277 3583	6277 5719
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H Department of the House of Representatives
DPS Department of Parliamentary Services
LGPS Legislative and General Purpose Standing
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;
- Certain Joint Statutory and Joint Standing Committees; and
- Senate 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:

Committee	Portfolio/subject area		
Community Affairs Legislation References	Health Social Services (including Human Services)		
Economics Legislation References	Industry, Innovation and Science Treasury		
Education and Employment Legislation References	Education and Training Employment		
Environment and Communications Legislation References	Communications and the Arts Environment		
Finance and Public Administration Legislation References	Finance Parliament Prime Minister and Cabinet (including Indigenous Affairs)		
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation References	Defence (including Veterans' Affairs) Foreign Affairs and Trade		
Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation References	Attorney-General's Immigration and Border Protection		
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation References	Agriculture and Water Resources Infrastructure and Regional Development		

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 were:

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

Joint Standing Committee

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office also administered the following Joint Standing Committee comprising members of the House of Representatives and Senators:

• National Disability Insurance Scheme.

Senate Select Committees

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

- Establishment of a National Integrity Commission (appointed 24 February 2016),
- Health (appointed 25 June 2014),
- Murray-Darling Basin Plan (appointed 24 June 2015),
- National Broadband Network (appointed 14 November 2013),
- School Funding Investment (appointed 4 February 2016),
- Scrutiny of Government Budget Measures (appointed 25 June 2014, as Abbott Government's Budget Cuts), and
- Unconventional Gas Mining (appointed 12 November 2015).

Joint Select Committees

There were no Joint Select Committees appointed during the reporting period.