

# The Senate

## BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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### SENATE FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

**Public Hearings: Budget Estimates for 2005-06 (supplementary hearings)**

**Monday, 31 October and Tuesday, 1 November 2005**

**Committee Room 2S1  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT**

*To be televised on Channel 9 radio 90.3*

<http://webcast.aph.gov.au>

**MONDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2005**

**9.00am**

### **Parliamentary departments**

#### **Department of the Senate**

**Outcome: Effective provision of services to support the functioning of the Senate as a House of the Commonwealth Parliament**

Output Group 1—Clerks Office

Output Group 2—Table Office

Output Group 3—Procedure Office

Output Group 4—Committee Office

Output Group 5—Black Rod's Office

#### **Department of Parliamentary Services**

**Outcome: Occupants of Parliament House are supported by integrated services and facilities, Parliament functions effectively and its work and buildings are accessible to the public**

Output Group 1—Information and Research Services

- Output 1.1—Information, analysis and advice services to meet clients' needs
- Output 1.2—Access to collection sources for the use of Parliament

Output Group 2—Client and Technical services

- Output 2.1—Client support, broadcasting and Hansard services
- Output 2.2—Information and communication technology and broadcasting support

Output Group 3—Building and Occupant Services

- Output 3.1—Occupant services
- Output 3.2—Visitor services
- Output 3.3—Asset management services

Administered Item—Works programs

- Building
- Furniture
- Artworks
- Gardens and landscapes

12.00 pm (approx.)

## **Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio**

### **Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General**

**Outcome 1: The Governor-General is enabled to perform the constitutional, statutory, ceremonial and public duties associated with the appointment**

Output Group 1.1—Support of the Governor-General

Output Group 1.2—Administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system

### **Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet**

**Outcome: Sound and well coordinated government policies, programmes and decision making processes**

Output Group 1—Economic policy

- Output 1.1—Economic and Industry Policy

Output Group 2—Social policy advice

- Output 2.1—Social Policy

Output Group 4—Support services for government operations

- Output 4.1—Cabinet Secretariat
- Output 4.2—Cabinet Implementation
- Output 4.3—Machinery of Government
- Output 4.4—Government Communications
- Output 4.5—Support to Official Establishments
- Output 4.6—Support for Ministerial Offices
- Output 4.7—Ceremonial and Hospitality

Output Group 3—International policy advice

- Output 3.1—International Policy Advice
- Output 3.2—National Security Policy
- Output 3.3—APEC Taskforce

### **Office of National Assessments**

**Outcome 1: Enhanced government awareness of international political and leadership developments, international strategic developments, including military capabilities, and international economic developments**

Output 1.1—Product

Output 2.2—Briefing  
Output 3.3—Coordination

**Outcome 2: Enhanced intelligence support for Defence planning and deployments, in peacetime and conflict, to maximize prospects for military success and to minimize loss of Australian lives**

Output 1.1—Product  
Output 2.2—Briefing  
Output 3.3—Coordination

**Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security**

**Outcome 1: Assurance that Australia's intelligence agencies act legally, ethically and with propriety**

Output 1 – Inspect, inquire into, and report on, the activities of the intelligence and security agencies

**Australian National Audit Office**

**Outcome 1: Improvement in public administration – independent assessment of the performance of selected Commonwealth public sector activities, including the scope for improving efficiency and administrative effectiveness**

Output Group 1.1

- Performance audit reports

Output Group 1.2

- Other audit and related products

Output Group 2.1

- Assistance to the Parliament

Output Group 2.2

- National and international representation

Output Group 2.3

- Client Seminars

Output Group 2.4

- Benchmarking services

Output Group 2.5

- Better Practice Guides

**Outcome 2: Assurance – independent assurance of Commonwealth public sector financial reporting, administration, control and accountability**

Output Group 2.1

- Assistance to the Parliament

Output Group 2.2

- National and international representation

Output Group 2.3

- Client seminars

Output Group 2.4

- Benchmarking services

Output Group 2.5

- Better Practice Guides

Output Group 3.1

- Financial statement audit reports

Output Group 3.2

- Business support process

Output Group 3.3

- Protective security audit
- Output Group 3.4
- Other assurance reports

### **Australian Public Service Commission**

#### **Outcome: A confident, high quality, values-based and sustainable Australian Public Service**

Output Group 1—APS policy and employment services

- Output 1.1—Advice and support to Minister, Executive and Agency Heads
- Output 1.2—Employment services
- Output 1.3—International assistance and organisations
- Output 1.4—Merit protection and other services

Output Group 2—Development programmes

- Output 2.1—Leadership services
- Output 2.2—Programme delivery
- Output 2.3—National / international programmes

Output Group 3—Better practice and evaluation

- Output 3.1—Indigenous employment
- Output 3.2—Promote better practice
- Output 3.3—Statistical / information services
- Output 3.4—Research and evaluation

### **Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman**

#### **Outcome: Administrative action by Australian government agencies is fair and accountable**

Output 1—Review of administrative action

Output 2—Review of statutory compliance in specified areas

### **National Water Commission**

#### **Outcome 1: Sustainable management and use of Australia's water resources**

Output 1 – Policy advice

Output 2 – Programme management

## **TUESDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2005**

9.00am

### **Finance and Administration portfolio**

#### **Department of Finance and Administration**

##### **Outcome 1: Sustainable government finances**

Output Group 1.1—Budget

- Output 1.1—Budget advice

Output Group 1.2—Financial management

- Output 1.2.1—Budgetary and financial framework
- Output 1.2.2—Financial reporting
- Output 1.2.3—Public sector superannuation advice
- Output 1.2.4—Office evaluation and audit (Indigenous programs)

#### **Comsuper†**

**Outcome 1: Public sector superannuation services, which meet the expectations of Government, trustees, employers, members and beneficiaries**

Output 1.1—Superannuation administration

**CSS Board†**

**Outcome 1: Commonwealth Superannuation Scheme services that meet the expectations of government, employers, members and beneficiaries**

Output 1.1—Superannuation scheme governance

**PSS Board†**

**Outcome 1: Public Sector Superannuation Scheme services that meet the expectations of government, employers, members and beneficiaries**

Output 1.1—Superannuation scheme governance

**Future Fund Management Agency**

**Outcome: Enhanced capacity for the Australian Government to offset unfunded superannuation liabilities**

**Department of Finance and Administration (in continuation)**

**Outcome 2: Improved and more efficient government operations**

Output Group 2.1—Government businesses

- Output 2.1.1. Government Business Enterprises Ownership and Divestment
- Output 2.1.2—Insurance and risk management
- Output 2.1.3—Special claims and land policy

Output Group 2.2—Property and construction

- Output 2.2.1—Property Management
- Output 2.2.2—Major projects

**Outcome 3: Efficiently functioning parliament**

Output Group 3.1—Ministerial and parliamentary services

- Output 3.1.1—Services to Senators, Members and their staff
- Output 3.1.2—VIP Hire car services

Outcome 4: Effective and efficient use of information and communication technologies by the Australian government

Output Group 4.1—Australian Government Information Management Office

- Output 4.1.1—Productive use of information and communication technologies

**Australian Electoral Commission**

**Outcome 1: Australians have an electoral roll which ensures their voter entitlement and provides the basis for the planning of electoral events, and electoral redistributions**

Output Group 1.1—Electoral roll management

- Output 1.1.1—Electoral roll (RMANS)
- Output 1.1.2—Electoral roll updates (ERR/CRU)
- Output 1.1.3—Roll products and services
- Output 1.1.4—Support services for electoral redistributions

**Outcome 2: Stakeholders and customers have access to and advice on impartial and independent electoral services and participate in electoral events**

Output Group 2.1—Elections, ballots and referendums

- Output 2.1.1—Federal elections, by-elections and referendums
- Output 2.1.2—Party registrations
- Output 2.1.3—Funding and disclosure services
- Output 2.1.4—Public awareness campaigns, media releases
- Output 2.1.5—Information services
- Output 2.1.6—Industrial elections, and ballots for organizations
- Output 2.1.7—ATSIC elections
- Output 2.1.8—State and local government elections
- Output 2.1.9—Advice and assistance in overseas elections

**Outcome 3: An Australian community which is well informed about electoral matters**

Output Group 3.1—Electoral education

- Output 3.1.1—Electoral education centres
- Output 3.1.2—School and community programmes

**Department of Human Services**

**Outcome 1: Effective and efficient delivery of social and health related services, including financial assistance to the Australian community**

Output 1—Core Department

- Facilitation and promotion of effective and efficient delivery of social and health related services

Output 2—Child Support Agency

- Delivery of child support assessment, registration, collection and disbursement services

Output 3—CRS Australia

- Delivery of vocational rehabilitation services to eligible people who have an injury, disability or health condition

**Centrelink**

**Outcome 1: Effective delivery of Australian Government services to eligible customers**

Output Group 1.1—Effective delivery of Australian Government services to eligible customers

**Health Insurance Commission**

**Outcome 1: Improving Australia's health through payments and information**

Output 1—Delivery of Australian government health payments and information

<b>Proposed breaks</b>	Lunch	12:30 to 13:30
	Afternoon tea	15:30
	Dinner	18:00 to 19:30
	Tea Break	21:30

† to be taken concurrently with DoFA Output 1.2.3 Public sector superannuation advice.