Senate Daily Summary

2004-05 BUDGET ESTIMATES

Monday 24 May 2004

Related links
Portfolio budget statements and related papers can be obtained from the Senate Table Office (phone 6277 3010) and on the Internet.

General information about the consideration of the 2004-05 Budget Estimates (membership of committees, portfolio allocation, terms of reference etc.) is available on the Senate web page.

An agenda for each of the legislation committees listed below is available on the Senate webpage and will be updated as necessary.

The Senate Daily Summary will be published each day after the legislation committees meet. The Summary will give a brief overview on the progress made by each committee and the business each committee expects to consider to the next day.

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee

Portfolios allocated: Communications, Information Technology and the Arts; Environment and Heritage

For current information about the committee’s hearings

The committee met from 9.08am until 11.00pm.

The committee:

- commenced the Communications, Information Technology and the Arts portfolio (completed output 3.1: Telstra, Australia Post, and Australian Communications Authority)

- will continue the Communications, Information Technology and the Arts portfolio (outputs 3.2 to 3.5: Australian Broadcasting Authority, Australian Broadcasting Corporation, Special Broadcasting Service, DCITA Corporate Services, and Australian Government Information Management Office) when it meets on Tuesday 25 May 2004 in Senate Committee Room 2S3
Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

Portfolios allocated: Finance and Administration; Parliament; Prime Minister and Cabinet

For current information about the committee’s hearings

The committee met from 9.05am until 11.02pm.

The committee:
- **completed** Parliament
- **commenced** the Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio (general questions, outputs 1.1 and 2.1 of the department)
- **will continue** the Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio (output 2.2 and output groups 3 and 4 of the department, Australian Public Service Commission, Australian National Audit Office, Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman, Office of National Assessments, Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security, and Finance and Administration portfolio when it meets on Tuesday 25 May 2004 in Senate Committee Room 2S1

Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee

Portfolios allocated: Attorney-General; Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs

For current information about the committee’s hearings

The committee met from 9.07am until 11.06pm.

The committee:
- **commenced** the Attorney-General’s portfolio (completed Federal Court of Australia, Federal Magistrates Court, High Court of Australia, Family Court of Australia, Family Law Council, Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre, Office of Film and Literature Classification, Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, outcomes 1 and 2 of the department (except output 2.1)
- **will continue** the Attorney-General’s portfolio (output 2.1 of the department, ASIO, Australian Federal Police, Australian Institute of Criminology and Criminology Research Council, CrimTrac Agency, Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions, Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia, Office of the Federal Privacy Commissioner, and Australian Customs Service) when it meets on Tuesday 25 May 2004 in the Main Committee Room

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Portfolios allocated: Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry; Transport and Regional Services

For current information about the committee’s hearings

The committee met from 9.04am until 11.50pm.

The committee:
- **commenced** the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Portfolio (completed Management Services and Corporate Governance, Food and Agriculture, and Market Access and Biosecurity
will continue the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Portfolio (Product Integrity, Animal and Plant Health, AQIS, ABARE, BRS, Rural Policy and Innovation, Fisheries and Forestry, and Natural Resource Management) when it meets on Tuesday 25 May 2004 in House of Representatives Committee Room 2R1

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Further information
Committee Hansards can be obtained from the Senate Table Office (phone 6277 3010) and on the Internet (when available)
Committee proceedings can be viewed on the Internet (see the estimates information document)
Senate Briefs, prepared by the Senate Procedure Office, provide general information about the estimates process:
No. 4: Senate Committees
No. 5: Consideration of Estimates by the Senate’s Legislation Committees
No. 13: Rights and Responsibilities of Witnesses before Senate Committees