Senate Daily Summary

2006-07 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES

Tuesday 31 October 2006

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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 2006-07 supplementary budget estimates (membership of committees, portfolio allocation, terms of reference etc.) is available on the Senate web page.

A program for each of the committees listed below is available on the Senate webpage and will be updated as necessary.

Committee proceedings can be viewed on the Internet

Committee Hansards can be obtained from the Senate Table Office (phone 62773010) and on the Internet (when available)

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

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Committee

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

For current information about the committee’s hearings

The committee met from 9.02am until 10.16pm.

The committee:

- called the department and agencies of the Communications, Information Technology and the Arts portfolio, including the Australian Sports Commission, Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority, Australia Council, Australian Film Commission, Film Finance Corporation Australia Limited, National Archives of Australia, National Gallery of Australia, National Library of Australia, and the National Museum of Australia;
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- **called** the department and agencies of the Environment and Heritage portfolio, including the Bureau of Meteorology, Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority, and the Office of the Renewable Energy Regulator; and
- **concluded** its budget estimates supplementary hearings for 2006-07.

**Finance and Public Administration Committee**

**Portfolios allocated:** Finance and Administration; Human Services; Parliament; Prime Minister and Cabinet

For [current information] about the committee’s hearings

The committee met from 9.01am until 11.01pm.

The committee:
- **called** the departments and agencies of the Finance and Administration portfolio, including the Department of Finance and Administration, Australian Electoral Commission, Future Fund Management Agency, Department of Human Services and Centrelink;
- **did not require** the Child Support Agency, CRS Australia, and Medicare Australia; and
- **concluded** its budget estimates supplementary hearings for 2006-07.

**Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee**

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

For [current information] about the committee’s hearings

The committee met from 9.07am until 11pm.

The committee:
- **called** the department and agencies of the Attorney-General’s Portfolio, including the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission (including the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner), Federal Magistrates Court, Federal Court of Australia, Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, Australian Federal Police, Australian Crime Commission, Director of Public Prosecutions CrimTrac Agency, and Australian Customs Service; and
- **concluded** its budget estimates supplementary hearings for 2006-07.

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee**

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

For [current information] about the committee’s hearings

The committee met from 9am until 11.05pm.

The committee:
- **called** the department and agencies of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio, including the Wheat Export Authority, Grains Research and Development Corporation, Australian Bureau of Agriculture and Resource Economics, Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service, Biosecurity Australia,
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Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority, Bureau of Rural Sciences, and the Australian Fisheries Management Authority; and concluded its budget estimates supplementary hearings for 2006-07.

Committees will meet on Wednesday, 1 and Thursday, 2 November 2006 as follows:

Community Affairs Committee
Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs
Health and Ageing

Economics Committee
Industry, Tourism and Resources
Treasury

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Committee
Education, Science and Training
Employment and Workplace Relations

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee
Defence (including Veterans’ Affairs)
Foreign Affairs and Trade

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Further information

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 Committees
No. 13: Rights and Responsibilities of Witnesses before Senate Committees

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