



Senate Daily Summary

2007-08 BUDGET ESTIMATES

Wednesday, 23 May 2007

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Committee

Portfolios allocated: Communications, Information Technology and the Arts;
Environment and Water Resources
For [current information](#) about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.05am until 10.48pm.

The committee again **called** the department and agencies of the Communications and Information Technology portfolio, including: Australia Post; the Special Broadcasting Service and the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

The committee will next meet on Thursday, 24 May 2007 in Senate Committee Room 2S3, again calling the Communications and Information Technology portfolio, commencing with the Australian Communications and Media Authority.

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 9.00am until 9.02pm.

The committee **called** the department and agencies of the Finance and Administration portfolio, including: the Future Fund Management Agency; Comsuper; the Australian Reward Investment Alliance and the Commonwealth Grants Commission.

The committee will next meet on Thursday, 24 May 2007 in Senate Committee Room 2S1, calling:

- the Finance and Administration portfolio, commencing with the Australian Electoral Commission; and
- the Human Services portfolio, commencing with the department.

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee

Portfolios allocated: Attorney-General; Immigration and Citizenship

For [current information](#) about the committee's hearings

The committee met from 9.00am until 11.00pm.

The committee **called** the department and agencies of the Attorney-General's portfolio, including: the High Court of Australia; the Australian Federal Police; the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity; CrimTrac; the Australian Customs Service; and the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation.

The committee will next meet on Thursday, 24 May 2007 in the Main Committee Room, again calling the Attorney-General's portfolio, commencing with the Federal Court of Australia.

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 9.00am until 10.58pm.

The committee **called** the department and agencies of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio, including: the Wheat Export Authority; the Australian Bureau of Agriculture and Resource Economics and the Bureau of Rural Sciences.

The committee will next meet on Thursday, 24 May 2007 in House of Representatives Committee Room 2R1, again calling the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio, commencing with the department.

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 2007-08 budget estimates (membership of committees, portfolio allocation, terms of reference etc.) is available on the Senate website.

[A program](#) for each committee is available on the Senate website and will be updated as necessary.

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