

Economics Committee

The Committee met on Wednesday 20 October 2010, from 9.00 am until 11.00 pm.

The Committee called the:

- Department and agencies of the portfolio of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research
- Department and agencies of the portfolio of Resources, Energy and Tourism
- Department of the Treasury

Among other issues, the main issues discussed were matters relating to the:

- Timing of the return of answers to Questions on Notice
- Briefings provided by the Chief Scientist
- Staff survey of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)
- Green Car Fund and the Clean Car Rebate (also known as the “cash for clunkers”)
- Minerals Resources Rent Tax and State Minerals Royalties
- Upcoming visit to Australia by Ms Oprah Winfrey
- Foreign investment
- Water in the Murray-Darling Basin
- Uranium mining and waste repository
- Global Carbon Capture and Storage Institute