

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Inquiry into the Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Dividend) Bill 2013

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House Committee to inquire into the Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Dividend) Bill 2013

The House of Representatives Infrastructure and Communications Committee met today to adopt a reference from Minister Albanese of the **Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Dividend) Bill 2013**.

The Bill would amend the *Broadcasting* Services *Act 1992* and the *Radiocommunications Act 1992* to facilitate the use of parts of the radiofrequency spectrum for telecommunications services before the spectrum has been fully cleared of existing analogue broadcast services.

A public hearing is scheduled from **11.00am** tomorrow, **Thursday, 14 March 2013**, in Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House.

The public hearing will be streamed live at http://www.aph.gov.au/News and Events/Watch Parliament.

Written submissions received no later than 12.00pm on Thursday, 14 March 2013 will be accepted.

The terms of reference are the text of the bill, which can be accessed, together with the explanatory memorandum, on the Parliament's <u>website</u>. Any other information about the conduct of the inquiry will be linked from the <u>Committee's webpage</u> as it becomes available.

For further details about the inquiry: contact the secretariat on phone (02) 6277 2352; email ic.reps@aph.gov.au; or website <u>http://www.aph.gov.au/ic</u>

For media comment only: please contact the Committee Chair, Mr Nick Champion, on (02) 6277 4451 (Parliament House).