

The Senate

BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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SENATE FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Public Hearings: BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2015-16

Monday, 25 to Thursday, 28 May 2015

**Committee Room 2S1
Parliament House
Canberra ACT**

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AGENDA

MONDAY, 25 May 2015

Senator the Hon
Stephen Parry
9.00am

Parliamentary Departments

Department of the Senate

Outcome 1: Advisory and administrative support services to enable the Senate and Senators to fulfil their representative and legislative duties.

Program—Department of the Senate

- Clerk's Office
- Table Office
- Procedure Office
- Committee Office
- Black Rod's Office

10.45am

Parliamentary Budget Office

Outcome: To inform the Parliament by providing independent and non-partisan analysis of the budget cycle, fiscal policy and the financial implications of proposals

Program—Parliamentary Budget Office

11.45am

Department of Parliamentary Services

Outcome: Support the functions of Parliament and parliamentarians through the provision of professional services, advice and facilities and maintain Australian Parliament House

Program 1—Parliamentary Services

Program 2—Parliament House Works Program

Senator the Hon
George Brandis QC

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

4.00pm

Independent National Security Legislation Monitor

4.45pm

Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security

Outcome 1: Independent assurance for the Prime Minister, senior ministers and Parliament as to whether Australia's intelligence and security agencies act legally and with propriety by inspecting, inquiring into and reporting on their activities

Program 1.1—Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security

6.00pm

Australian National Audit Office

Outcome 1: To improve public sector performance and accountability through independent reporting on Australian Government administration to Parliament, the Executive and the public.

Program 1.1—Assurance Audit Services

Program 1.2—Performance Audit Services

Senator the Hon
Mathias Cormann

8.45pm

Australian Public Service Commission

Outcome 1: Increased awareness and adoption of best practice public administration by the public service through leadership, promotion, advice and professional development, drawing on research and evaluation

Program 1.1—Australian Public Service Commission

Program 1.2—Parliamentarians' and Judicial Office Holders Remuneration and Entitlements

10.00pm

Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Outcome 1: Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government entities and prescribed private sector organisations, by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and statutory compliance inspections and reporting.

Program 1.1—Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

TUESDAY, 26 MAY 2015

Senator the Hon
Mathias Cormann
Senator the Hon
Michaelia Cash
9.00am

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio *(continued)*

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome 1: Provide high quality policy advice and support to the Prime Minister, the Cabinet, Portfolio Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries including through the coordination of government activities, policy development and program delivery.

Program 1.1—Prime Minister & Cabinet

5.30pm

Office for Women (part of Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet)

8.00pm

Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, Outcome 1, *(in continuation)*

WEDNESDAY, 27 MAY 2015

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio *(continued)*

9.00am

Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General

Outcome 1: The performance of the Governor-General's role is facilitated through the organisation and management of official duties, management and maintenance of the official household and property and administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system

Program 1.1—Support for the Governor-General and Official Functions

Senator the Hon
Mathias Cormann

Finance Portfolio

10.00am

ASC Pty Ltd

11.30am

Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation and ComSuper¹

To be examined concurrently with **Department of Finance Program 2.6: Public Sector Superannuation**

Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation

Outcome 1: Retirement benefits for past, present, and future Australian Government employees and members of the Australian Defence Force through investment and administration of their superannuation funds and schemes

¹ The Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation will undertake the administration functions currently performed by ComSuper. Legislation to merge ComSuper with CSC from 1 July 2015 was introduced into the Parliament on 19 March 2015. (see *Portfolio Budget Statement 2015-16, Finance Portfolio*, p. 49)

Program 1.1—Superannuation Scheme Governance

Outcome 2: To provide access to Australian Government superannuation benefits and information, through developing members' understanding of the schemes, processing contributions, supporting investment processes, paying benefits and managing member details, for current and former Australian Government employees and members of the Australian Defence Force.

Program 2.1—Superannuation Administration Services

ComSuper

1.30pm

Department of Finance

Outcome 1: Support sustainable Australian Government finances through providing high quality policy advice and operational support to the government and Commonwealth entities to maintain effective and efficient use of public resources.

Program 1.1—Budget and Financial Management

Outcome 2: Support an efficient and high-performing public sector through providing leadership to Commonwealth entities in ongoing improvements to public sector governance, including through systems, frameworks, policy, advice and service delivery.

Program 2.1: Public Sector Governance

Program 2.2: Transforming Government

Program 2.3: Property and Construction

Program 2.4: Insurance and Risk Management

Program 2.5: Procurement Services

(excluding Government Campaign Advertising – to be examined at the time indicated below)

Program 2.7: Australian Government Investment Funds

THURSDAY, 28 MAY 2015

Finance Portfolio *(continued)*

Senator the Hon
Mathias Cormann

9.00am

Department of Finance *(in continuation from where the committee suspended examination on 27 May 2015)*

Senator the Hon
Michael Ronaldson

5.00pm

Outcome 2 – Program 2.5 – Procurement Services *(in continuation)*
Government Campaign Advertising

8.00pm

Outcome 3: Support for Parliamentarians and others as required by the Australian Government through the delivery of, and advice on, entitlements and targeted assistance

Program 3.1—Ministerial and Parliamentary Services

9.30pm

Australian Electoral Commission

Outcome 1: Maintain an impartial and independent electoral system for eligible voters through active electoral roll management, efficient delivery of polling services and targeted education and public awareness programs.

Program 1.1—Deliver Electoral Events

Proposed breaks	Morning tea	10.30 to 10.45
	Lunch	12.30 to 13.30
	Afternoon tea	15:45 to 16:00
	Dinner	18.30 to 20.00
	Tea Break	21:15 to 21:30

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SENATE FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Public Hearing: BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2015-16
Cross Portfolio Indigenous matters pursuant to Senate
Resolution of 4 December 2013

Friday, 29 May 2015

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AGENDA

Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion	Themes/Issues	Department(s)/Agencies
9.00am-11.30am <i>(Break 10.00am-10.15am)</i>	Agencies Northern Land Council Tiwi Land Council Office of Township Leasing Indigenous Land Corporation Aboriginal Hostels Limited Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations	<i>Agencies</i>
11.30am-2.00pm <i>(Lunch break 12.45pm-1.30pm)</i>	Outcome 2: Indigenous – <i>Improve results for Indigenous Australians including in relation to school attendance, employment and community safety, through delivering services and programs, and through measures that recognise the special place that Indigenous people hold in this Nation.</i> <i>Indigenous Advancement Strategy</i> Program 2.1—Jobs, land and economy Program 2.2—Children and schooling Program 2.3—Safety and wellbeing Program 2.4—Culture and capability Program 2.5—Remote Australia strategies Program 2.6—Program support	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
2.00-3.00pm	Health issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renal • Dialysis • Eye • Petrol sniffing 	Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Department of Health
<i>3.00pm</i>	<i>Adjournment</i>	

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