

## **WORK OF COMMITTEES**

**Year Statistics: 1 January 2016–31 December 2016**  
**Half-Year Statistics: 1 July 2016–31 December 2016**

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## **FORMAT OF THIS REPORT**

This report is divided into several sections that provide statistics on committee work during the following periods:

- the half year (1 July 2016 to 31 December 2016); and
- the calendar year (1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016).

Statistics on these periods are kept in order to record information based on parliamentary terms as well as half, financial and full year periods.

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## **NOTE ON THE DOUBLE DISSOLUTION OF 9 MAY 2016**

Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees, Joint Committees, Select Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office and other committees ceased to exist when the Senate and the House of Representatives were dissolved on 9 May 2016 for a general election on 2 July 2016. The 45<sup>th</sup> Parliament commenced on 30 August 2016. Consequently, statistics in this publication begin on 30 August 2016.



## ABBREVIATIONS

### *Committees*

ACLEI	Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity
CA	Community Affairs
Cancer Research Funding	Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates
CFS	Corporations and Financial Services
ECO	Economics
EE	Education and Employment
EC	Environment and Communications
Electricity	Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World
FADT	Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
FPA	Finance and Public Administration
LCA	Legal and Constitutional Affairs
LE	Law Enforcement
NBN	National Broadband Network
NDIS	National Disability Insurance Scheme
Red Tape	Red Tape Committee
RRAT	Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
Same-sex Marriage	Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill

### *Political Affiliations*

AG	Australian Greens
ALP	Australian Labor Party
CLP	Country Liberal Party
DHJP	Derryn Hinch's Justice Party
FF	Family First Party
JLN	Jacqui Lambie Network
LDP	Liberal Democratic Party
LP	Liberal Party of Australia
NATS	The Nationals
NXT	Nick Xenophon Team
PHON	Pauline Hanson's One Nation



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Other publications available from the Committee Office:

### **Committee Reports\***

Consolidated Register of Senate Committee Reports (1970–2016) [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/register](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/register)

Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees: The First 20 Years 1970–1990 [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Significant\\_Reports/first20years/contents](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Significant_Reports/first20years/contents)

Bills referred to Senate committees [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Bills\\_Legislation/Bills\\_and\\_Committees/Bills\\_referred\\_to\\_Senate\\_committees](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Bills_Legislation/Bills_and_Committees/Bills_referred_to_Senate_committees)

Today's Public Hearings (*daily list of committee public hearings held in Canberra or interstate*) [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Todays\\_Public\\_Hearings](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Todays_Public_Hearings)

Senate Committees: Upcoming Public Hearings (*list of all forthcoming committee public hearings*) [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Upcoming\\_Public\\_Hearings](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Upcoming_Public_Hearings)

\*A selection of reports presented prior to June 1997 and all reports tabled thereafter are available online.

## Information pamphlets

Making a Submission [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Senate/Making\\_a\\_submission](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Making_a_submission)

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## DIRECTORY OF COMMITTEES

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Administered</i>	<i>Phone (02)</i>	<i>Fax (02)</i>
Appropriations, Staffing and Security	Standing	S	6277 3015	6277 5784
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5809
Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4888	6277 4204
Chairs'	Standing	S	6277 3371	6277 3199
Community Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3515	6277 5829
Corporations and Financial Services	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3583	6277 5719
Economics*	LGPS	S	6277 3540	6277 5719
Electoral Matters	Joint	H	6277 2374	6277 4773
Education and Employment*	LGPS	S	6277 3521	6277 5706
Environment and Communications*	LGPS	S	6277 3526	6277 5818
Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill	Select	S	6277 3228	6277 5829
Finance and Public Administration*	LGPS	S	6277 3439	6277 5809
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade	Joint	H	6277 4629	6277 2221
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade*	LGPS	S	6277 3535	6277 5818
Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates	Select	S	6277 3419	6277 5809
Government Procurement	Joint Select	H	6277 4642	6277 2219
House	Standing	S	6277 3398	6277 3199
Human Rights	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3066	6277 5767
Intelligence and Security	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4588	6277 2067
Law Enforcement	Joint Statutory	S	6277 3598	6277 5809
Legal and Constitutional Affairs*	LGPS	S	6277 3560	6277 5794
Migration	Joint	H	6277 4560	6277 4844
National Broadband Network	Joint Standing	S	6277 3585	6277 5594
National Capital and External Territories	Joint	H	6277 4355	6277 4844
National Disability Insurance Scheme	Joint Standing	S	6277 3083	6277 5829
Northern Australia	Joint Standing	H	6277 4162	6277 4427
Parliamentary Library	Joint	DPS	6277 7102	6277 2403
Privileges	Standing	S	6277 3360	6277 3199
Procedure	Standing	S	6277 3350	6277 3199
Public Accounts and Audit	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4615	6277 2220
Public Works	Joint Statutory	H	6277 4636	6277 4844
Publications	Standing	S	6277 3037	6277 5784
Regulations and Ordinances	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3066	6277 5881
Red Tape	Standing			
Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World	Select	S	6277 3228	6277 5829
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport*	Select	S	6277 3544	6277 5719
Scrutiny of Bills	LGPS	S	6277 3511	6277 5811
	Legislative Scrutiny	S	6277 3051	6277 5881
	Standing			
Selection of Bills	Standing	S	6277 3020	6277 3098
Senators' Interests	Standing	S	6277 3360	6277 3199
Trade and Investment Growth	Joint Standing	H	6277 2233	6277 8461
Treaties	Joint	H	6277 4002	6277 2219

**H** Department of the House of Representatives

**DPS** Department of Parliamentary Services

**LGPS** Legislative and General Purpose Standing

**S** Department of the Senate

**\*** Legislation and References Committees



## COMMITTEES ADMINISTERED BY THE SENATE COMMITTEE OFFICE

### Introduction

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office provided staffing and resources for the following committees:

- Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees;
- Certain Joint Statutory and Joint Standing Committees; and
- Senate Select Committees.

### Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees

The Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committees and the relevant portfolio/subject areas allocated to them are as follows:

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Portfolio/subject area</i>
Community Affairs Legislation References	Health and Aged Care Social Services (including Human Services)
Economics Legislation References	Industry, Innovation and Science Treasury
Education and Employment Legislation References	Education and Training Employment
Environment and Communications Legislation References	Communications and the Arts Environment and Energy
Finance and Public Administration Legislation References	Finance Parliament Prime Minister and Cabinet (including Indigenous Affairs)
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation References	Defence (including Veterans' Affairs) Foreign Affairs and Trade
Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation References	Attorney-General's Immigration and Border Protection
Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation References	Agriculture and Water Resources Infrastructure and Regional Development

### **Joint Statutory Committees**

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office also administered three Joint Statutory Committees comprising members of the House of Representatives and Senators. These are:

- Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity
- Corporations and Financial Services, and
- Law Enforcement

### **Joint Standing Committee**

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office also administered the following Joint Standing Committees comprising members of the House of Representatives and Senators:

- National Broadband Network
- National Disability Insurance Scheme

### **Senate Select Committees**

During the reporting period, the Senate Committee Office provided staffing and resources for the following Senate Select Committees:

- Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill
- Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates
- Red Tape Committee
- Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World

### **Joint Select Committees**

There were no Joint Select Committees appointed during the reporting period.