

# The Senate

## BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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## SENATE FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

**Public Hearings: SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2012-13**

**Monday, 15 and Tuesday, 16 October 2012**

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

*To be televised on Channel 12, Radio 90.3  
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### AGENDA

#### MONDAY, 15 OCTOBER 2012

Senator the Hon John  
Hogg, President of  
the Senate

**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

**9.45am (guide only) 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**

**10.45am (guide only)**

**Department of Parliamentary Services**

**Outcome: Occupants of Parliament House are supported by integrated services and facilities, Parliament functions effectively and its work and buildings are accessible to the public**

Program 1—Parliamentary Services

- Subprogram 1.1—Library Services
- Subprogram 1.2—Building and Occupant Services
- Subprogram 1.3—Infrastructure Services
- Subprogram 1.4—Parliamentary Records Services

Program 2—Parliament House Works Program

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**12.00pm (guide only)**

**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

- Support for the Governor-General
- Administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system

Senator the Hon  
Chris Evans

**1.30pm (guide only)**

**Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet**

**Outcome 1: Coordination of government activities; policy development; advice and program delivery to support and inform the Prime Minister, Cabinet and Cabinet Secretary**

Program 1.1—Prime Minister & Cabinet

1.1.1—Domestic Policy

1.1.2—National Security and International Policy

1.1.3—Support Services for Government Operations

1.1.4—Group of 20 Meeting 2014

Program 1.2: Official and Ceremonial Support

<b>5.30pm</b>	<p><b>National Mental Health Commission</b></p> <p><b>Outcome 1: Provide expert advice to the Australian Government and cross-sectoral leadership on the policy, programs, services and systems that support mental health in Australia, including through administering the annual National Report Card on Mental Health and Suicide Prevention, undertaking performance monitoring and reporting, and engaging consumers and carers</b> Program 1.1—National Mental Health Commission</p>
<b>7.45pm (guide only)</b>	<p><b>Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (<i>in continuation</i>)</b></p>
<b>9.00pm (guide only)</b> (includes 15 min break)	<p><b>Australian National Audit Office</b></p> <p><b>Outcome 1: To provide assurance on the fair presentation of financial statements of Australian Government entities by providing independent audit opinions and related reports for the information of Parliament and the Executive</b> Program 1.1—Assurance Audit Services</p> <p><b>Outcome 2: To improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the administration of Australian Government programs and entities by undertaking a program of independent performance audits and assurance reviews for the information of Parliament and the Executive</b> Program 2.1—Performance Audit Services</p>
<b>10.00pm (guide only)</b>	<p><b>Australian Public Service Commission</b></p> <p><b>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</b> Program 1.1—Australian Public Service Commission 1.1.1—APS People and Organisational Performance 1.1.2—Investing in APS Development and Capability 1.1.3—Australian Government Employment Workplace Relations Program 1.2—Parliamentarians' and Judicial Office Holders Remuneration and Entitlements</p>
<b>10.30pm (guide only)</b>	<p><b>Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security</b></p> <p><b>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</b> Program 1.1— Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security</p>

## **TUESDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2012**

Senator the Hon  
Penny Wong

### **Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**9.00am (guide only) Medibank Private**

**10.00am (guide only) Future Fund Management Agency**

**Outcome 1: Make provision for the Commonwealth's unfunded superannuation liabilities and payments for the creation and development of infrastructure, by managing the operational activities of the Future Fund and Nation Building Funds, in line with the Government's investment mandates**

Program 1.1—Management of the investment of the Future Fund

Program 1.2—Management of the investment of the Building Australia Fund, Education Investment Fund and Health and Hospitals Fund

**11.00am (guide only)**

### **Department of Finance and Deregulation**

**Outcome 1: Informed decisions on Government finances and regulatory practices through: policy advice; implementing framework; and providing financial advice, guidance and assurance**

Program 1.1—Budget, Financial Management, Better Regulation and Procurement Framework

- Budget advice
- Deregulation
- Financial management
- Assurance
- International Governance and Cooperation
- Procurement Framework

Program 1.2—Public Sector Superannuation

### **ComSuper<sup>1</sup>**

**Outcome 1: 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 Public Servants and members of the Australian Defence Force, on behalf of the Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation**

Program 1.1—Superannuation Administration Services

### **Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation<sup>2</sup>**

**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**

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<sup>1</sup> May be taken concurrently with DFD Program 1.2 Public sector superannuation advice

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**superannuation funds and schemes**

Program 1.1—Superannuation Scheme Governance

**Department of Finance and Deregulation** (*in continuation*)

Program 1.3—National Building Funds

- Building Australia Fund
- Education Investment Fund
- Health and Hospitals Fund

**Outcome 2: Effective Government policy advice, administration and operations through; oversight of Government Business Enterprises; Commonwealth property management and construction; risk management; and providing ICT services**

Program 2.1—Australian Government Business and ICT

- Government business oversight
- Special claims and land policy

Program 2.2—Property and Construction

Program 2.3—Insurance and Risk Management

**Outcome 3: Support for Parliamentarians, others with entitlements and organisations as approved by Government through the delivery of entitlements and targeted assistance**

Program 3.1—Ministerial and Parliamentary Services

**7.45pm (guide only) 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—Electoral Roll Management

- Electoral roll management
- Support services for electoral redistributions

Program 1.2—Election Management and Support Services

- Federal elections, by-elections and referendums
- Party registrations
- Funding and disclosure services
- Fee-for-service
- Industrial elections and protected action ballots
- Torres Strait Regional Authority elections
- Advice and assistance in overseas elections

Program 1.3—Education and Communication

- Electoral education
- Communication strategies and services
- Community strategies

**9.30pm (guide only) ASC Pty Ltd**

<b>Proposed breaks</b>	Morning tea	10.30 to 10.45
	Lunch	12.30 to 13.30
	Afternoon tea	15:45 to 16:00
	Dinner	18.30 to 19.45
	Tea Break	21:15 to 21:30

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