

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN LAW REFORM COMMISSION

Question No. 102

Senator McKenzie asked the following question at the hearing on 14 February 2012:

The ALRC was due to report on 30 January 2012 and will now be reporting on 28 February 2012.

1. What is the reason for the delay?
2. Who allowed the extension of time?
3. What additional work needs to be undertaken?
4. Has the ALRC provided a draft report to the Attorney General

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

1. The extension in the reporting date was made to align the finalisation of the Report with the appointment period of the Commissioner overseeing the Inquiry, Professor Terry Flew. Professor Flew's appointment ended on 28 February 2012.
2. The extension was approved by the Attorney-General for Australia.
3. No additional work needed to be undertaken.
4. The ALRC has not provided a draft report to the Attorney-General.