



Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2018-19  
Tuesday, 23 October 2018  
Daily summary

Here is the summary of today's proceedings in the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee estimates hearing.

The committee met from 9.00am until 10.37pm.

The committee called the following agencies from the Attorney-General's portfolio:

- Australian Human Rights Commission (AHRC)
- Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecution
- Family Court of Australia, Federal Circuit Court of Australia and Federal Court of Australia
- Administrative Appeals Tribunal
- Australian Law Reform Commission
- Independent National Security Legislation Monitor
- Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security
- Commonwealth Ombudsman
- National Archives of Australia

The committee also called the Attorney-General's Department in relation to corporate and general matters, Groups 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Topics discussed by the committee included:

- first appearance of the new Race Discrimination Commissioner of the AHRC, Mr Chin Tan;
- proposed legislation to reform the Family Court of Australia and Federal Circuit Court of Australia;
- publication of the final report and the relevant recommendations of the Religious Freedom Review; and
- advice provided by the Australian Government Solicitor regarding potential disqualification of parliamentarians under s 44 of the Constitution.