

**Select Committees  
administered by the  
Senate Committee Office  
1 January 2021–30 June 2021**



# **Administration of Sports Grants**

## Administration of Sports Grants

1 January 2021 - 18 March 2021

	Matters current as at 1 January 2021	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2021
Select Committee	1	0	1	0

Number and Hours of Meeting									
Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	1	0	0:00	4	0:12	0	0:00	5	2:07

Meetings By State						
ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	QLD
Select Committee	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses				
Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	0	0	3	2

# Select Committee on Administration of Sports Grants

*1 January 2021 to 18 March 2021*

<b>Method of appointment</b>	
Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 5 February 2020	
<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Anthony Chisholm (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 06.2.2020)</i>	05.02.2020
Senator Janet Rice (VIC, AG) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 06.02.2020)</i>	06.02.2020
Senator the Hon Eric Abetz (TAS, LP)	05.02.2020
Senator the Hon Matthew Canavan (QLD, NATS)	05.02.2020
Senator Nita Green (QLD, ALP)	05.02.2020
<b>Former substitute members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Tim Ayres (NSW, ALP) <sup>1</sup>	23.07.2020–23.07.2020
Senator Katy Gallagher (ACT, ALP) <sup>2</sup>	13.02.2020–13.02.2020
Senator Katy Gallagher (ACT, ALP) <sup>3</sup>	27.02.2020–27.02.2020
Senator Marielle Smith (SA, ALP) <sup>4</sup>	10.03.2020–10.03.2020

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Green on 23 July 2020

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Green on 13 February 2020

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Green on 27 February 2020

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Green on 10 March 2020

**Inquiries***As at 01.01.2021*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings <i>01.01.2021–18.03.2021</i></b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2021</i></b>
Administration and award of funding under the Community Sport Infrastructure Grant Program	05.02.2020	12.02.2021—Canberra with videoconference	Final report tabled 18.03.2021	No

**New References***01.01.2021–18.03.2021*

Nil

**Government Responses***01.01.2021–18.03.2021*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Australia as a Technology  
and Financial Centre**

*formerly* Financial Technology  
and Regulatory Technology

# Australia as a Technology and Financial Centre

1 January 2021 - 30 June 2021

	Matters current as at 1 January 2021	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2021
Select Committee	1	0	0 + (1**)	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	3	16:20	0	0:00	7	1:44	0	0:00	10	18:04

Meetings By State							
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	QLD
Select Committee	10	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses				
Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	3	0	82	0

\*\*Interim report



# Select Committee on Australia as a Technology and Financial Centre

(formerly Financial Technology and Regulatory Technology)<sup>1</sup>  
1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 11 September 2019 and amended on 18 March 2021

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Andrew Bragg (NSW, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 19.09.2019)</i>	11.09.2019
Senator Marielle Smith (SA, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair 18.05.2021)</i>	13.05.2021
Senator Susan McDonald (QLD, NATS)	11.09.2019
Senator Rex Patrick (SA, IND)	19.09.2019
Senator Paul Scarr (QLD, LP)	11.09.2019
Senator Jess Walsh (VIC, ALP)	19.09.2019
<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP) <i>(Deputy Chair 09.10.2020–13.05.2021)</i>	08.10.2020–13.05.2021
Senator Marielle Smith (SA, ALP) <i>(Deputy Chair 19.09.2019–08.10.2020)</i>	19.09.2019–08.10.2020

<sup>1</sup> See *Journals of the Senate*, No. 96—18 March 2021, pp. 3366–3367

## **Inquiries**

*As at 01.01.2021*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings <i>01.01.2021–30.06.2021</i></b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2021</i></b>
Australia as a Technology and Financial Centre <i>(formerly Financial Technology and Regulatory Technology)</i> <i>(See Journals of the Senate, No. 96—18 March 2021, pp. 3366–3367)</i>	11.09.2019	11.02.2021—Sydney 12.02.2021—Sydney 05.03.2021—Canberra with videoconference	Second interim report presented OOS 28.04.2021; tabled 11.05.2021	Yes

## **New References**

*01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

## **Government Responses**

*01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Autism**

# Autism

1 January 2021 - 30 June 2021

	Matters current as at 1 January 2021	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2021
Select Committee	1	0	0	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	6	29:39	0	0:00	7	0:41	1	2:30	14	32:50

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	7	1	3	2	0	0	0	1

Witnesses					
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	6	0	0	84	0

# Select Committee on Autism

*1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 27 November 2019

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Hollie Hughes (NSW, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 05.12.2019)</i>	28.11.2019
Senator Carol Brown (TAS, ALP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 25.02.2021)</i>	05.12.2019
Senator Jim Molan (NSW, LP)	28.11.2019
Senator Marielle Smith (SA, ALP)	13.05.2021
Senator Jordon Steele-John (WA, AG)	27.11.2019

<b>Former members</b>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Senator Catryna Bilyk (TAS, ALP)	08.10.2020–13.05.2021
Senator Stirling Griff (SA, CA) <i>(Deputy Chair 27.11.2019–24.02.2021)</i>	27.11.2019–24.02.2021
Senator Marielle Smith (SA, ALP)	05.12.2019–08.10.2020

**Inquiries***As at 01.01.2021*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 01.01.2021–30.06.2021</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2021</b>
Services, support and life outcomes for autistic people in Australia and the associated need for a National Autism Strategy	27.11.2019	11.02.2021—Melbourne with teleconference 12.02.2021—Melbourne 03.03.2021—Brisbane with teleconference 15.04.2021—Sydney 28.04.2021—Launceston TAS 29.04.2021—Hobart	Nil	Yes

**New References***01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

**Government Responses***01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**COVID-19**

# COVID-19

1 January 2021 - 30 June 2021

	Matters current as at 1 January 2021	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2021
Select Committee	1	0	0 + (1**)	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	10	27:28	0	0:00	2	0:30	0	0:00	12	27:58

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses				
Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	10	0	79	41

\*\*Interim report



# Select Committee on COVID-19

1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 8 April 2020

## Current members

*Date of appointment*

Senator Katy Gallagher (ACT, ALP)  
*(elected Chair on 09.04.2020)*

08.04.2020

Senator James Paterson (VIC, LP)  
*(elected Deputy Chair on 09.04.2020)*

08.04.2020

Senator Perin Davey (NSW, NATS)

08.04.2020

Senator the Hon Kristina Keneally (NSW, ALP)

08.04.2020

Senator Jacqui Lambie (TAS, JLN)

08.04.2020

Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)

08.04.2020

Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP)

08.04.2020

## Former substitute members

*Term of appointment*

Senator Slade Brockman (WA, LP)<sup>1</sup>

22.09.2020–22.09.2020

Senator Slade Brockman (WA, LP)<sup>2</sup>

24.09.2020–24.09.2020

Senator Slade Brockman (WA, LP)<sup>3</sup>

29.09.2020–29.09.2020

Senator Slade Brockman (WA, LP)<sup>4</sup>

11.03.2021–11.03.2021

Senator Amanda Stoker (QLD, LP)<sup>5</sup>

15.09.2020–15.09.2020

Senator Amanda Stoker (QLD, LP)<sup>6</sup>

17.09.2020–17.09.2020

<sup>1</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson on 22 September 2020

<sup>2</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson on 24 September 2020

<sup>3</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson on 29 September 2020

<sup>4</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson on 11 March 2021

<sup>5</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson on 15 September 2020

<sup>6</sup> Replaced Senator Paterson on 17 September 2020

**Inquiries***As at 01.01.2021*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 01.01.2021–30.06.2021</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2021</b>
Australian Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and any related matters	08.04.2020	The following hearings were held in Canberra: 28.01.2021 11.02.2021 02.03.2021 09.03.2021 11.03.2021 20.04.2021 27.04.2021 29.04.2021 07.05.2021 21.06.2021	Second interim report: Public interest immunity claims tabled 24.02.2021	Yes

**New References***01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

**Government Responses***01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Effectiveness of the  
Australian Government's  
Northern Australia agenda**

# Effectiveness of the Australian Government's Northern Australia agenda

1 January 2021 - 28 April 2021

	Matters current as at 1 January 2021	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2021
Select Committee	1	0	1	0

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	4	20:46	0	0:00	7	2:35	0	0:00	11	23:21

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

Witnesses					
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	4	0	0	42	0

# Select Committee on the Effectiveness of the Australian Government's Northern Australia agenda

*1 January 2021 to 28 April 2021*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 4 July 2019

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Murray Watt (QLD, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 25.07.2019)</i>	22.07.2019
Senator Susan McDonald (QLD, NATS) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 25.07.2019)</i>	24.07.2019
Senator Patrick Dodson (WA, ALP)	22.07.2019
Senator Malarndirri McCarthy (NT, ALP)	22.07.2019
Senator Malcolm Roberts (QLD, PHON)	22.07.2019
Senator Rachel Siewert (WA, AG)	29.07.2019
Senator Dean Smith (WA, LP)	24.07.2019

**Inquiries***As at 01.01.2021*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings <i>01.01.2021–28.04.2021</i></b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry <i>As at 30.06.2021</i></b>
Effectiveness of the objectives, design, implementation and evaluation of the Australian Government's Northern Australia agenda	04.07.2019	09.02.2021—Canberra with videoconference 10.02.2021—Canberra with video and teleconference 11.02.2021—Canberra with video and teleconference 12.03.2021—Townsville QLD	Final report presented OOS 28.04.2021; tabled 11.05.2021	No

**New References***01.01.2021–28.04.2021*

Nil

**Government Responses***01.01.2021–28.04.2021*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Foreign Interference through  
Social Media**

## Foreign Interference through Social Media

1 January 2021 - 30 June 2021

	Matters current as at 1 January 2021	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2021
Select Committee	1	0	0	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	0	0:00	0	0:00	2	0:28	0	0:00	2	0:28

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses					
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	0	0	0	0	0



# Select Committee on Foreign Interference through Social Media

*1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 5 December 2019

## Current members

*Date of appointment*

Senator Jenny McAllister (NSW, ALP)

*(elected Chair on 10.12.2019)*

05.12.2019

Senator Jim Molan (NSW, LP)

*(elected Deputy Chair on 10.12.2019)*

05.12.2019

Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)

06.10.2020

Senator Kimberley Kitching (VIC, ALP)

05.12.2019

Senator David Van (VIC, LP)

05.12.2019

**Inquiries***As at 01.01.2021*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 01.01.2021–30.06.2021</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2021</b>
Risk posed to Australia's democracy by foreign interference through social media	05.12.2019	Nil	Nil	Yes

**New References***01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

**Government Responses***01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Job Security**

## Job Security

1 January 2021 - 30 June 2021

	Matters current as at 1 January 2021	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2021
Select Committee	1	0	0 + (1**)	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	7	35:54	0	0:00	17	5:42	0	0:00	24	41:36

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	12	8	4	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses					
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	7	0	0	99	123

\*\*Interim report

# Select Committee on Job Security

*1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 10 December 2020

## Current members

*Date of appointment*

Senator Tony Sheldon (NSW, ALP)  
*(elected Chair on 17.12.2020)*

10.12.2020

Senator the Hon Matthew Canavan (QLD, NATS)  
*(elected Deputy Chair on 17.12.2020)*

10.12.2020

Senator Mehreen Faruqi (NSW, AG)

10.12.2020

Senator Ben Small (WA, LP)

10.12.2020

Senator Jess Walsh (VIC, ALP)

10.12.2020

**Inquiries***As at 01.01.2021*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 01.01.2021–30.06.2021</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2021</b>
Impact of insecure or precarious employment on the economy, wages, social cohesion and workplace rights and conditions	10.12.2020	12.04.2021—Sydney 13.04.2021—Sydney 14.04.2021—Wollongong NSW 19.04.2021—Melbourne with teleconference 20.04.2021—Melbourne with teleconference 21.04.2021—Melbourne with teleconference 10.06.2021—Canberra with videoconference	First interim report: on-demand platform work in Australia tabled 24.06.2021	Yes

**New References***01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

**Government Responses***01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*

**Multi-Jurisdictional Management and  
Execution of the Murray Darling  
Basin Plan**

# Multi-Jurisdictional Management and Execution of the Murray Darling Basin Plan

1 January 2021 - 30 June 2021

	Matters current as at 1 January 2021	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2021
Select Committee	2	0	0	2

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	7	29:51	0	0:00	7	0:56	2	3:00	16	33:47

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	6	6	2	0	0	0	0	2

Witnesses					
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	7	0	0	79	10



# Select Committee on the Multi-Jurisdictional Management and Execution of the Murray Darling Basin Plan

*1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 23 July 2019

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Slade Brockman (WA, LP) <i>(elected Chair on 02.08.2019)</i>	24.07.2019
Senator Rex Patrick (SA, IND) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 02.08.2019)</i>	23.07.2019
Senator Perin Davey (NSW, NATS)	24.07.2019
Senator Alex Gallacher (SA, ALP)	31.07.2019
Senator Sarah Hanson-Young (SA, AG)	29.07.2019
Senator Deborah O'Neill (NSW, ALP)	31.07.2019

## Inquiries

*As at 01.01.2021*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 01.01.2021–30.06.2021</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2021</b>
Multi-jurisdictional management and execution of the Murray Darling Basin plan	23.07.2019	09.02.2021—Canberra with videoconference 10.02.2021—Canberra with video and teleconference 20.04.2021—Sydney with teleconference 21.04.2021—Moree NSW 22.04.2021—Goondiwindi QLD with teleconference 05.05.2021—Deniliquin NSW 06.05.2021—Shepparton VIC with teleconference	Nil	Yes
Constitution Alteration (Water Resources) Bill 2019	12.09.2019 (SB)	Nil	Nil	Yes

## New References

*01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

## Government Responses

*01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

*SB (Selection of Bills Committee)  
OOS (Out of session)*

## **Temporary Migration**

## Temporary Migration

1 January 2021 - 30 June 2021

	Matters current as at 1 January 2021	Matters referred during period	Reports tabled that discharge a reference	Current inquiries as at 30 June 2021
Select Committee	1	0	0	1

Number and Hours of Meeting										
	Public	Hrs	Public Estimates	Hrs	Private	Hrs	Insp/Other	Hrs	Total Meetings	Total Hours
Select Committee	4	13:48	0	0:00	3	0:15	0	0:00	7	14:03

Meetings By State								
	ACT	NSW	VIC	TAS	SA	WA	NT	QLD
Select Committee	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0

Witnesses					
	Broadcast Hearings	Estimates	Bills	General	Government Responses
Select Committee	4	0	0	42	0

# Select Committee on Temporary Migration

*1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021*

## Method of appointment

Pursuant to a resolution agreed to by the Senate on 5 December 2019

<b>Current members</b>	<i>Date of appointment</i>
Senator Raff Ciccone (VIC, ALP) <i>(elected Chair on 12.12.2019)</i>	05.12.2019
Senator Claire Chandler (TAS, LP) <i>(elected Deputy Chair on 16.12.2019)</i>	05.12.2019
Senator Andrew Bragg (NSW, LP)	05.12.2019
Senator Jess Walsh (VIC, ALP)	05.12.2019

**Inquiries***As at 01.01.2021*

<b>Inquiry Name</b>	<b>Date Referred</b>	<b>Public Hearings 01.01.2021–30.06.2021</b>	<b>Reports Tabled</b>	<b>Current Inquiry As at 30.06.2021</b>
Impact temporary migration has on Australia's economy, wages and jobs, social cohesion and workplace rights and conditions	05.12.2019	19.03.2021—Canberra 21.04.2021—Melbourne with teleconference 22.04.2021—Mildura VIC with teleconference 30.06.2021—Canberra with videoconference	Nil	Yes

**New References***01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

**Government Responses***01.01.2021–30.06.2021*

Nil

*OOS (Out of session)*