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Budget Estimates 2023–24

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Monday, 22 May – Thursday, 25 May 2023

Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

Times listed are indicative only



Hearing location

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Parliament House, Canberra
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Senator Glenn Sterle, Chair
Senator the Hon Matthew Canavan, Deputy Chair
Senator Linda White
Senator Peter Wish-Wilson
Senator Raff Ciccone
Senator Gerard Rennick

Ministers attending

Senator the Hon Anthony Chisholm
Senator the Hon Carol Brown
Senator the Hon Murray Watt

Secretariat

Gerry McNally, Committee Secretary
Morgan Jacobs, Estimates Officer

Monday, 22 May

Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development,
Communications and the Arts, excluding Communications and
the Arts

9.00am	Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts Corporate Matters
11.00am	Morning tea
11.15am	Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (continued) Outcome 1: Improved infrastructure across Australia through investment in and coordination of transport and other infrastructure Program 1.1 - Infrastructure Investment
1.15pm	Lunch
2.15pm	Outcome 1 continued.
4.15pm	Afternoon tea
4.30pm	Outcome 1 continued
5.30pm	Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts Outcome 2: An efficient, sustainable, competitive, safe and secure transport system for all transport users through regulation, financial assistance and safety investigations Program 2.1 - Surface Transport Program 2.2 - Road Safety Program 2.3 - Air Transport
6.30pm	Dinner break
7.30pm	Outcome 2 continued.
9.30pm	Tea break
9.45pm	Outcome 2 continued
11.00pm	Adjournment

Tuesday, 23 May

Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development,
Communications and the Arts, excluding Communications and
the Arts

9.00am	<p>Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts</p> <p>Outcome 3: Strengthening the sustainability, capacity and diversity of our cities and regional economics including through facilitation local partnerships between all levels of government and local communities; through investment in infrastructure and measures that stimulate economic growth; and providing grants and financial assistance.</p> <p>Program 3.1 - Regional Development Program 3.2 - Local Government Program 3.3 - Cities Program 3.4 - Growing a Stronger Northern Australian Economy</p>
11.00am	Morning tea
11.15am	Outcome 3 continued.
1.15pm	Lunch
2.15pm	<p>Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (continued)</p> <p>Outcome 4: Good governance in the Australian territories including the maintenance and improvement of the laws and services for non-self-governing territories, and the overarching legislative framework for the self-governing territories</p> <p>Program 4.1 - Services to Territories</p>
4.15pm	Afternoon tea
4.30pm	Administrator of the Norfolk Island Regional Council
5.00pm	Australian Rail Track Corporation
6.15pm	Dinner break
7.15pm	Airservices Australia

8.00pm	Civil Aviation Safety Authority
9.00pm	Evening break
9.15pm	Infrastructure Australia
10.15pm	Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility via videoconference
11.00pm	Adjournment

Wednesday, 24 May

Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

9.00am	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Corporate Matters
11.00am	Morning tea
11.15am	Corporate Matters continued
12.30pm	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (continued) Outcome 1: More sustainable, productive, internationally competitive and profitable Australian agricultural, food and fibre industries through policies and initiatives that promote better resource management practices, innovation, self-reliance and improved access to international markets
1.30pm	Lunch
2.30pm	Outcome 1 continued
4.15pm	Afternoon tea
4.30pm	Outcome 1 continued
5.45pm	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Outcome 2: Safeguard Australia's animal and plant health status to maintain overseas markets and protect the economy and environment from the impact of exotic pests and diseases, through risk assessment, inspection and certification, and the implantation of emergency response arrangements for Australia agricultural, food and fibre industries
6.30pm	Dinner break
7.30pm	Outcome 2 continued
9.30pm	Evening break
9.45pm	Outcome 2 continued
11.00pm	Adjournment

Thursday, 25 May

Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

9.00am	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Outcome 2: Safeguard Australia's animal and plant health status to maintain overseas markets and protect the economy and environment from the impact of exotic pests and diseases, through risk assessment, inspection and certification, and the implantation of emergency response arrangements for Australia agricultural, food and fibre industries. Continued from yesterday. Program 2.1 – Biosecurity and Export Services Program 2.2 – Plant and Animal Health
10.45am	Morning tea
11.00am	Outcome 2 continued.
1.10pm	Lunch
2.10pm	Australian Pork Limited Some witnesses via videoconference
2.50pm	Plant Health Australia
3.30pm	Animal Health Australia
4.10pm	Afternoon tea
4.25pm	Cotton Research and Development Corporation
5.10pm	Australian Fisheries Management Authority
5.50pm	Inspector-General for Biosecurity
6.30pm	Dinner break
7.30pm	Australian Livestock Export Corporation Limited (Livecorp) Some witnesses via videoconference

8.10pm	Meat and Livestock Australia Limited
8.50pm	Dairy Australia
9.30pm	Evening break
9.45pm	Australian Meat Processor Corporation Limited
10.15pm	Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority
11.00pm	Adjournment
