



Senate Rural & Regional Affairs & Transport Legislation Committee  
Budget Estimates 2024-25  
Friday, 31 May 2024  
Daily Summary

The committee met from 9:02am until 5.04pm.

The committee released the Inspector-General of Biosecurity.

The committee called the following departments and agencies:

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority

- Performance reporting of the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority;
- Application process;
- APVMA Strategic Review Report;
- Report on Future Structure and Governance Arrangements for the for the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority;
- Independence of the Agency;
- Clayton Utz Strategic Review Report;
- Senior Executive Service travel expenses;
- Approval of mRNA vaccines for Animals;
- Antibiotics approved for fisheries;
- Use of Glyphosate; and
- Footrot Vaccine.

Fisheries Research and Development Corporation

- Impact of windfarms on fisheries;
- National carp control Plan;
- Native Fish Recovery Strategy; and
- Seaweed production.

Australian Fisheries Management Authority

- Licensing of Fisheries;
- Australian Fisheries Management Authority Database of permit holders;
- Consultations and engagement with energy and resource companies;
- Release of Fisheries information to energy companies;
- Macquarie Island Toothfish Fishery; and
- Conflict of interest of researchers.

Animal Health Australia

- Biosecurity protection levy.

#### AgriFutures Australia

- AgriFutures independent review;
- Carbon Conversations program; and
- Seaweed research and development.

#### Plant Health Australia

- Biosecurity protection levy;
- Questions taken on notice from Senators from Additional Estimates; and
- Information about the Chief Executive Officer.

#### The Australian Live Export Corporation (LiveCorp)

- Planned phase out of live sheep exports;
- Statistics relating to live animal exports;
- Export markets; and
- Job losses in the industry.