

JOINT COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT



Chair: Dr Andrew Southcott MP Deputy Chair: Mr Pat Conroy MP

Public hearing to focus on the enhanced Commonwealth performance framework

Parliament's Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit (JCPAA) will hold a public hearing on 18 June 2015 for its inquiry into the Commonwealth performance framework.

All Commonwealth entities are required to measure and assess their performance in accordance with the Commonwealth performance framework. Under the Public Management Reform Agenda, the Commonwealth performance framework will be enhanced by, among other things, the requirement that entities produce corporate plans and annual performance statements.

Committee Chair Dr Andrew Southcott MP said "the Committee's inquiry is an opportunity to ensure that the new Commonwealth performance framework will be effective in enhancing accountability for public resources".

"The Committee's inquiry will ensure that stakeholders in the public sector are able to have their say on these changes. Importantly, it will also ensure that expert advice, from within and beyond the public service, contributes to the reform agenda" Dr Southcott said.

On 18 June 2015, the Committee will hear from another two groups of witnesses with expertise in performance management reform: Capital Training College and ScottCromwell Pty Ltd. Both of these organisations have worked with Commonwealth, State and Territory government departments and agencies on matters relating to risk management, planning and performance management.

Details of the hearings are as follows:

Thursday, 18 June 2015 – 10:45 am to 12:15 pm Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

The hearing will be broadcast live at: www.aph.gov.au/live

Further information about the Committee's inquiry, including the terms of reference and details on how to lodge a submission, are available on the Committee's website at www.aph.gov.au/jcpaa.

For media comment: please contact Committee Chair, Dr Andrew Southcott MP, on 0402579674 (Matthew Hee).

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