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### JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL MATTERS

Inquiry into the Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Funding and Disclosure Reform) Bill 2017

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### Public hearings on political donations Bill

The Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters will hold a public hearing tomorrow in Canberra on the Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Funding and Disclosure Reform) Bill 2017.

The Committee will hear evidence from Professor Anne Twomey from the University of Sydney, a range of civil society groups, the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission, and the Australian Electoral Commission.

Committee Chair Senator Linda Reynolds said only Australians should have the power to influence Australian politics and elections. Integrity, real or perceived, of Australia's electoral system is critical to our system of Government.

Our current system of regulation has not kept pace with international, domestic and societal developments Senator Reynolds said.

Information on this inquiry, a program for the day and copies of submissions made by witnesses are available at <https://www.aph.gov.au/efdr>.

A copy of the Bill is available [here](#).

#### Public Hearing Details:

Date: Friday, 16 February 2018

Time: 9:00am

Location: Room 2S1, Parliament House, Canberra

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