



## ***Investigation of crimes at sea under discussion***

The House of Representatives Standing Committee on Social Policy and Legal Affairs is inquiring into the reporting, investigating and prosecution of crimes committed at sea. The Committee will hear from Australian cruise companies, state and federal police, and state and territory coroners at a public hearing tomorrow in Sydney.

The Committee Chair, Mr Graham Perrett MP, said ‘we will be discussing the key issues of jurisdictional overlap for crimes committed at sea with law enforcement agencies and coroners, to assess whether the current arrangements are adequate.’

Mr Perrett added, ‘Cruise lines have told us that they have implemented policies to ensure that the critical mistakes made in the tragic case of Dianne Brimble are never repeated, and we look forward to discussing these measures.’

**Public Hearing**  
**10.30am-3.00pm**  
**Friday, 15 February 2013**  
**Jubilee Room**  
**NSW Parliament, Sydney**

The program is available at [www.aph.gov.au/crimesatsea](http://www.aph.gov.au/crimesatsea) and the hearing will be broadcast live at <http://www.aph.gov.au/live>

For further information about the inquiry, see the Committee’s website at [www.aph.gov.au/crimesatsea](http://www.aph.gov.au/crimesatsea) or contact the committee secretariat on **(02) 6277 2358**.

**For media comment**, please contact the Committee Chair, Mr Graham Perrett MP, on (07) 3344 2622 or 0423 280 131.

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