



Commissioner of Taxation to front Audit Committee

The Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit will hear from the Commissioner of Taxation, Michael D'Ascenzo, at its eighth biannual hearing with the Commissioner of Taxation tomorrow.

The Chair of the Committee, Rob Oakeshott MP (Member for Lyne, NSW) said that "the Committee in the 41st Parliament initiated an inquiry into certain taxation matters. During the course of the inquiry the Commissioner of Taxation agreed to appear before the Committee at a public hearing twice each year, to update the Parliament and the public on recent developments in tax administration."

Mr Oakeshott MP added that "the biannual hearings with the Commissioner of taxation provide an important opportunity for Parliament to scrutinise the administration of Australia's tax system. With significant changes mooted for Australia's tax system, it remains important for the Committee to meet regularly with the Commissioner to discuss issues surrounding tax administration."

Details for the hearing are as follows:

Date: Friday, 4 March 2011
Venue: Committee Room 1R1
Time: 10:30am - 12:30pm

The hearing will be open to the public. Audio of the hearing will also be streamed live on the internet at <http://webcast.aph.gov.au/livebroadcasting/>

For more information: please contact the Committee Chair, Rob Oakeshott MP, on telephone 02 6584 2911 or the Committee Secretary on telephone (02) 6277 4615 or visit the inquiry's website at <http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/jcpaa/taxationbiannual0311/index.htm>