



Canberra hearing for political funding inquiry

The Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters will hold a public hearing in Canberra on Wednesday 14 September 2011, as part of its inquiry into the funding of political parties and election campaigns.

Members of parliament, senators, candidates and their support staff are affected by the day to day operation of the funding and disclosure arrangements.

The Committee will hear from Mr Paul Neville MP, the Member for Hinkler in Queensland.

“It is worthwhile for the committee and interested parties to hear directly from a member of parliament about his experience of disclosure arrangements at the state and federal levels, difficulties he may have encountered, and how the operation of the system might be improved from the viewpoint of a key stakeholder in the process,” said Committee Chair, Daryl Melham MP.

One of the committee’s terms of reference for this inquiry is examining measures at the state and territory level and implications for the Commonwealth.

“It is important to also consider these matters in terms of opportunities for greater harmonisation between the state or territory and federal levels,” said Mr Melham.

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Wednesday, 14 September 2011

**Parliament House,
Committee Room 2S3**

10.00am **Mr Paul Neville MP**

10.45am Finish

These hearings will be webcast live at: <http://webcast.aph.gov.au/livebroadcasting/>.

For more information and to follow the progress of the inquiry visit the Committee’s webpage at <http://www.aph.gov.au/em>.

For media comment: Please contact the Committee Chair, Daryl Melham MP on 02 6277 2054 (Parliament House office) or 02 9774 2111 (Electoral office).

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