APPENDIX 3

Terms of Reference for 2011 inquiry into the performance of the Department of Parliamentary Services

On 23 June 2011 the Senate referred the following matter to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee as an inquiry under standing order 25(2)(a), for inquiry and report by 29 November 2011:

The performance of the Department of Parliamentary Services (DPS), with particular reference to:

- (a) matters raised at the Budget estimates hearing of the committee on 23 May 2011 and in answers to questions taken on notice;
- (b) policies and practices followed by DPS for the management of the heritage values of Parliament House and its contents;
- (c) asset management and disposal policies and practices;
- (d) resource agreements and/or memoranda of understanding for the provision of services within and by DPS;
- (e) an assessment of the efficiencies achieved following the amalgamation of the three former joint parliamentary service departments and any impact on the level and quality of service delivery;
- (f) the efficient use, management and delivery of information technology services and equipment; and
- (g) any related matter.