4. Senator Faulkner asked about when the new Senate meeting rooms became available and the nature of the defects. (1-06)

Senate Meeting Rooms - S1 28, SG 57

Use of Meeting Rooms

Senators' Services commenced taking bookings for these rooms from 24 September 2012.

Formal handover and defects

Formal handover of these rooms was delayed as a number of outstanding issues including air conditioning, installation of lighting, installation of clocks and locks had not been completed. Due to the disruptive nature of defect rectification work, it was decided that the rooms could not be made available until rectification of defects was completed, noting that works had to be scheduled around sittings of the Senate. DPS advises that some further work in relation to noise will be completed by the end of the year.