

What's being investigated?

House of Representatives Committees (comprising Members of the House) and Joint Parliamentary Committees (comprising Members of the House and Senators) undertake a range of inquiries on issues of public importance. Listed here are inquiries currently being conducted. Elsewhere in this bulletin, you will find articles about many of these inquiries. Further information can be obtained from committee home pages on the Internet at: www.aph.gov.au/house/committee or by telephoning the contact numbers below.

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Communications, Transport and the Arts

- Managing fatigue in transport
- Impact of the decision by ABC Radio to discontinue its radio racing service

Further information: (02) 6277 4601

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Employment, Education and Workplace Relations

- Employee share ownership in Australian enterprises
- Issues specific to older workers seeking employment, or establishing a business, following unemployment

Further information: (02) 6277 4573

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Environment and Heritage

- Catchment management

Further information: (02) 6277 4580

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family and Community Affairs

- Indigenous health

Further information: (02) 6277 4566

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Economics, Finance and Public Administration

- Review of the Reserve Bank of Australia Annual Report 1998-99
- Review of the Australian National Audit Office audit report No. 37 on the management of Tax File Numbers
- Review of the Australian Prudential Regulatory Authority
- International financial market effects on government policy

Further information: (02) 6277 4587

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Resources

- Increasing value-adding to Australian raw materials

Further information: (02) 6277 4594

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs

- Copyright enforcement
- Human cloning

Further information: (02) 6277 2358

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Primary Industries and Regional Services

- The infrastructure and the development of Australia's regional areas
- Primary producer access to gene technology

Further information: (02) 6277 4500

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Procedure

- Review of the Main Committee

Further information: (02) 6277 4670

Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters

- Conduct of the 1998 Federal election

Further information: (02) 6277 2374

Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

- Australia's trade and investment relationship with South America
- The suitability of the Australian Army for peacetime, peacekeeping and war
- Australia's efforts to promote and protect freedom of religion and belief
- Australia's relations with the United Nations in the post Cold War environment

Further information: (02) 6277 2313

Joint Standing Committee on Migration

- State-specific migration mechanisms

Further information: (02) 6277 4560

Joint Standing Committee on the National Capital and External Territories

- The provision of health services on Norfolk Island

Further information: (02) 6277 4355

Joint Standing Committee on Treaties

- Agreement with the Republic of Korea on Scientific and Technological Cooperation
- Denunciation of the Convention on Damage caused by Foreign Aircraft to Third Parties on the Surface
- Agreement for the Establishment of the International Development Law Institute
- United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

Further information: (02) 6277 4002

Joint Statutory Committee of Public Accounts and Audit

- Contract management in the Australian Public Service
- *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997* and the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997*
- Review of Auditor-General's Reports
- Corporate governance and accountability arrangements for Commonwealth Government Business Enterprises
- Community Education and Information Programme

Further information: (02) 6277 4615

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

- Defence Science and Technology Organisation Rationalisation Project, Melbourne
- Proposed ABC Sydney Accommodation Project, Ultimo, NSW
- Navy Ammunitioning Facility, Twofold Bay, NSW
- HMAS Albatross Stage 2 Redevelopment, Nowra, NSW
- Housing Development at Parap Grove, Darwin, NT
- Development of 90 Apartments, 101 Carey Street, Darwin, NT
- CSIRO/University of Queensland joint building project, St Lucia, Queensland

Further information: (02) 6277 4636