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Foreword

I thank all members for their contributions to the work of the Committee. I especially thank Senator Judith Troeth and Mr John Forrest MP, my Deputy Chairs over the past year, for their assistance and guidance. I also thank all staff of the Committee Secretariat.

Ms Janelle Saffin MP
Chair



Membership of the Committee

43rd Parliament Membership

Chair Ms Janelle Saffin MP

Deputy Chair Senator the Hon Judith Troeth
(until 30/6/11)

Deputy Chair until 30/6/11

Mr John Forrest MP

Deputy Chair from 7/7/11

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Senator Sue Boyce (from 20/9/11)

Mr Bernie Ripoll MP (until 14/3/12)

Senator Michael Forshaw (until 30/6/11)

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Senator Alex Gallacher (from 1/7/11)

Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP
(until 24/3/11)

Mr Steve Georganas MP

Senator Anne Urquhart (from 1/7/11)

Ms Jill Hall MP (from 14/3/12)

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