

What are Committee Inquiries?

Teacher Support Sheet

Overview

This video introduces Parliamentary Committee Inquiries and outlines their role and importance in Queensland Parliament. This resource will allow students to see how Parliamentary Committee Inquiries investigate bills and issues in Queensland.

Key vocabulary

- Chair, Deputy Chair
- Committee
- Committee Report
- Committee Secretary
- Committee Witness
- Evidence
- Hearing
- Inquiry
- Scrutiny
- Submission

Ideas for Learning Activities

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Cloze passage - print worksheet



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Committee Hearings

*Interactive worksheet**



Quizlet - What are Parliamentary Inquiries?

Vocabulary list



Committee Role Play

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Holidays and Other Legislation Amendment Bill

Lesson sequence

**Please note - interactive worksheets should be downloaded and saved to a desktop for optimal use. Interactive features are not compatible on mobile devices.*

Suggested activities	AC code	AC content descriptor
Write a class submission to a committee inquiry Current/past or make up your own using the Committee Inquiry template.	QCAA Legal Studies Unit 3: Law, governance and change Topic 1: Governance in Australia	Accountability of Parliament and the rule of law. Concepts of representative and responsible government. Implications of the unicameral parliament in Queensland.
Browse the Parliament TV committee archive Watch a committee inquiry related to your areas of study or student interest. Before watching, have students suggest the types of stakeholders who might be giving evidence. Following viewing, have students discuss the evidence given and any stakeholder groups who they think could have also been involved.	QCAA Legal Studies Unit 3: Law, governance and change Topic 2: Law reform within a dynamic society	Parliamentary inquiries.
Committee Role Play Hold a committee hearing in class using the Committee Role Play template. Students can create an inquiry topic or use the Extended School Hours Bill 2021.	ACHCS072 ACHASSI080	Use democratic processes to reach consensus on a course of action relating to a civics or citizenship issue and plan for that action. Interact with others with respect to share points of view.
Choose a current or past committee inquiry to examine as a class. Choose excerpts from different stakeholder submissions for students to analyse in a gallery walk or global café activity, have students identify whether the individual or group supports the bill and why or why not.	ACHASSI157	Analyse primary sources and secondary sources to identify values and perspectives on people, actions, events, issues and phenomena, past and present.

Further material

[PEO Parliamentary Committees - Video](#)

[PEO Committees - Role Play](#)

[QLD Committees homepage](#)

[Current QLD Parliamentary Inquiries](#)

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