



DEPARTMENT OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Seminar Program

# HOW THE HOUSE WORKS

The 2025 House of Representatives Seminar Program will be offered in-person and online.

The House of Representatives is the larger of the two Houses in the Australian Federal Parliament. It is where governments are formed and where most proposed Commonwealth laws are introduced. Through its seminar program, the House offers people interested in its work an opportunity to find out how the House actually works.

This half-day seminar is designed to give an overview of the role of the House of Representatives in Australia's system of government, delivered by senior officers from the Department of the House of Representatives.

### Program

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9.15 am: Registration

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9.30 am: Welcome | Introduction  
The House in Context

9.50 am: The Functions of the House  
Members' Parliamentary Roles

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10.20 am: Morning Tea Break

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10.40 am: The Legislative Process

11.25 am: The House Committee System & Inquiry Process

12.10 pm: Supporting the House  
Questions | Evaluations

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12.30 pm: Proceedings close for online attendees  
Q&A in the Chamber gallery for in-person attendees (optional)

12.45 pm: Close

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