

Roundtable Discussion: *'Reforming the Constitution'*

Date: Thursday 1 May 2008 | **Time:** 9:00am - 5:00pm

Venue: Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra

The House of Representatives Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs is holding a roundtable on constitutional reform in Australia with specialists in the area. The general aim of the roundtable is to explore the current debates surrounding constitutional reform, with a view to assisting the Committee in assessing the priority and feasibility of change in key areas. Issues to be discussed include:

the process for amending the constitution

federal-state relations

citizenship

election terms and

the inclusion of a preamble.

As well as the Committee Members, participants will include:

Professor Larissa Behrendt

Mr Peter Black

Professor Tony Blackshield

Professor Hilary Charlesworth

Professor Greg Craven

Professor David Flint

Mr Peter Hanks QC

Professor The Honourable Michael Lavarch

Professor Kim Rubenstein

Professor Cheryl Saunders

Ms Khatija Thomas

Ms Anne Twomey

Professor George Williams

Professor Leslie Zines

Members of the public are welcome to listen to the roundtable discussions, which will be broadcast on FM 97.1 in Parliament House and via webcast on the APH website:

<http://webcast.aph.gov.au/livebroadcasting/>

More information, including a program for the day, is available from the Committee's website:

www.aph.gov.au/laca/reformcon.htm