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Burch, Joy

Occupation Nurse, Parliamentarian

Summary

A member of the Australian Labor Party, Joy Burch was elected to the Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory representing the electorate of Brindabella in October 2008. She was re-elected at the 2012, 2016 and 2020 elections. She held the position of Speaker from 2016 until September 2024 when she retired from the Assembly before the 2024 election.

Details

Before her appointment to Cabinet in November 2009, Joy Burch was Government Whip and ALP Caucus secretary. Her ministerial portfolios have included: Ageing and Community Services (2009–2012), Multicultural Affairs and Women (2009–2015), Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs (2011–2012), Arts and Racing and Gaming (2011–2016), Children and Young People (2012–2014), Disability and Education and Training (2012–2016) and Police and Emergency Services (2014–2015). She did not contest the 2024 election.

Published resources

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Site Exhibition

From Lady Denman to Katy Gallagher: A Century of Women's Contributions to Canberra, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2013,

http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/ldkg

Website

Burch, Joy: Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory website, https://www.parliament.act.gov.au/members/tenth-assembly-members/brindabella/burch-joy

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