Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E11-359

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: FOOD LABELLING

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Is the Government's response to the Blewett Review, still on track to be released in December 2011?

Answer:

The Australian Government is working with the jurisdictions and the New Zealand Government to develop a whole-of-Australia and New Zealand Food Regulation Ministerial Council (Ministerial Council) response to the 61 recommendations of *Labelling Logic*, the final report of the independent Panel for the Review of Food Labelling Law and Policy.

The Ministerial Council will consider its response to *Labelling Logic* at its meeting on 9 December 2011 before providing it to the Council of Australian Governments in early 2012.