

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Question: SBT 1729**

**Topic: Protective security policy framework (ACCC)**

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**Senator BUSHBY asked:**

1729. Provide an update for your department/agency, including what is your current compliance level, what are you doing to manage risk, what is being done to comply with the mandatory requirements and details of any department/agency specific policies and procedures.

**Answer:**

1729. The ACCC complies with the mandatory requirements for physical security set out in the Protective Security Policy Framework (PSPF).

The ACCC has an agency security policy and framework, agency security instructions and an agency security plan. The agency security plan reviews the security risks and sets out strategies to mitigate risks identified.

The ACCC has undertaken two audits by external security consultants and implemented the recommendations of those audits to ensure the agency has an appropriate security stance.

The ACCC has undertaken an awareness campaign to ensure all staff are aware of their obligations under the security framework and the agency will continue to educate staff as required. All new staff are provided with a security overview as part of their induction.