Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to questions on notice **Environment portfolio**

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Senator Urquhart asked:

Has the Department considered how a direct action scheme would move back into an emissions trading scheme if necessary in the future to meet international commitments?

Answer:

The Government's climate change policy is to repeal the carbon tax and implement the Direct Action Plan. The policy does not involve transitioning the Direct Action Plan back into an emissions trading scheme in the future. The Department is advising the Government in accordance with the Government's policy.