

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

TREASURY PORTFOLIO

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Question no: 6

Topic: Dedicated GST

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Senator asked:

Senator CORMANN—Just going back to the variations in GST takeover in relation to the states and territories, I forgot to ask a question. You have percentages for all states. Have you identified a percentage for how much it would be for Western Australia if Western Australia were part of the deal? It says 30 to 31 per cent for New South Wales, 40 to 44 per cent for Queensland, 48 to 51 per cent for the ACT. What would be the equivalent percentages for Western Australia?

Mr Broadhead—I do not have the figure in front of me.

Mr Caruso—I do not think we have the figure with us.

Ms Vroombout—We would have to take it on notice.

Senator CORMANN—So that is not a top-of-mind sort of figure. Given that you are working so hard to get Western Australia on board, I would have thought it would be right at the top of your mind, but you do not have it. If you could provide that to us on notice, that would be really useful.

Answer:

Refer to answer to question 2.