

Senate Environment and Communications References Committee

Inquiry into the Climate Risk Assessment

Department of Finance

Response to Question on Notice

Hearing of 16 September 2025

Question on Notice 2 (Proof Hansard page 24)

Senator Dean SMITH: Thank you. To Finance – Mr Pelecky, has the Department of Finance been asked to assess the cost of addressing the risks identified in the climate risk assessment report?

Mr Pelecky: Not to my knowledge

Senator Dean SMITH: And you would know if a request had been made?

Mr Pelecky: I'm not privy –

Senator Dean SMITH: you are the Assistant Secretary for [inaudible].

Mr Pelecky: Yes, for property and construction, so I'd have to take it on notice to give you a comprehensive answer in the terms of whether Finance has been asked

Response

The Department of Finance has not been asked to assess the cost of addressing risks identified in the National Climate Risk Assessment Report.