

Australian Government response to the Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services report:

Regulation of Auditing in Australia: Final Report

Response to the recommendations

Dissenting report by the Australian Greens - Recommendation 1

That any firm that provides audit services for a significant proportion (for example, more than 5 per cent) of companies capitalised or operating in Australia be prevented from providing nonaudit services.

Australian Government response

The Government notes this recommendation. However, given the passage of time since this report was tabled, a substantive Government response is no longer appropriate.

Dissenting report by the Australian Greens - Recommendation 2

That the regulatory regime for auditing be simplified, with a single body being responsible for accounting, auditing and assurance standards; and another body being responsible for enforcement, currently ASIC.

Australian Government response

The Government notes this recommendation. However, given the passage of time since this report was tabled, a substantive Government response is no longer appropriate.