

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND SCIENCE

**TOPIC:** Tasmanian Major Projects Approval Agency (TMPAA)

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator Whish-Wilson

**QUESTION No.:** AI-56

1. How many prospective tourism projects have been referred to TMPAA?
2. What is the value of prospective tourism projects that have been referred to TMPAA?
3. How many tourism projects have been approved by TMPAA?
4. What is the value of tourism projects that have been approved by TMPAA?
5. What is the projected economic impact of the tourism projects that have been approved by TMPAA to the Tasmanian economy?

**ANSWER**

1. The TMPAA has worked actively with three prospective tourism projects. It has completed its advice in relation to one of these projects and is continuing to map the regulation requirements and approvals process for two other prospective tourism projects.
2. The potential investment value of the three prospective tourism projects with which the TMPAA has worked directly is approximately \$200 million.
- 3-5. It is not the job of the TMPAA to issue approvals, rather it identifies all the approvals that an investor must satisfy and maps the process they must follow. The TMPAA ensures that project proponents are fully aware of all their obligations under Australian law and government policy.