

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

2016 - 2017

Division/Agency: Commonwealth-State Relations Division

Question No: 237

Topic: Revised funding profile for Commonwealth contribution to Perth Freight Link project

Reference: Written

Senator: Ketter, Chris

Question:

Referring to the WA Treasury's assessment of the Liberal Party costings in the 2017 state election:

1. Is Treasury aware of the letter from the Finance Minister to the Liberal Party outlining the revised funding profile for the Commonwealth contribution to the Perth Freight Link project?
2. Did Treasury see a copy of this letter before it was sent? If so, when?
3. Did Treasury provide any feedback or advice in relation to any drafts of this letter before it was sent? If so, when? What was the nature of this feedback or advice?
4. Did Treasury provide advice to the Government, the Treasurer, the Finance Minister, the WA Liberal Party or the WA Government in relation to this letter? If so, when?
5. What was the profile of the Commonwealth contribution to the Perth Freight Link project – please include years beyond the current forward estimates in which there is funding – prior to this letter?
6. What was the profile of the Commonwealth contribution to the Perth Freight Link project – please include years beyond the current forward estimates in which there is funding – as a result of this letter?

Answer:

1. The Finance Minister wrote to the then WA Treasurer.
2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.
4. Not applicable.
5. The profile of the Australian Government's remaining contribution to the Perth Freight Link project is as follows, recognising that this profile may be adjusted in the Budget context and that the Australian Government's contribution is contingent on both the Roe 8 and Fremantle tunnel stages being delivered.

2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m	2018-19 \$m	2019-20 \$m
0.0	220.8	430.0	535.0

6. Not applicable.