

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates

2017 - 2018

Division/Agency: Individuals and Indirect Tax Division

Question No: 224

Topic: Deductions for NFP

Reference: Written

Senator: Hanson, Pauline

Question:

Has consideration been given to limiting the size of deductions available to charities and non-profit groups registered with the Australian Charities & Not-for-Profits Commission? How does the Treasury ensure the availability of deductions is not used to fund terrorism and religious extremism?

Answer:

Treasury regularly gives consideration to deductions available under the Australian tax system, including those for charities and the not-for-profit sector. Registered charities, which include most not-for-profits that can receive tax deductible gifts, are subject to oversight by a range of government bodies and regulators, including the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) and the Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre (AUSTRAC).