Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018

Division/Agency: Individuals and Indirect Tax Division

Question No: 233

Topic: Treasury Laws Amendment (GST Low Value Goods) Bill 2017

Reference: Written

Senator: Lambie, Jacqui

Question:

1. Could Treasury please advise whether it has undertaken any work to develop a Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) to support the Treasury Laws Amendment (GST Low Value Goods) Bill 2017 (the Bill)?

- 2. If work on a RIS remains to be done, what, if any, efforts has Treasury made to ensure all relevant information for businesses and consumers affected by the Bill is available and summarised in a readily accessible format?
- 3. Can Treasury please confirm that it has provided details to the State and Territory Governments of the expected collection rate and GST revenue associated with the Bill?
- 4. Has Treasury undertaken consultation on the Bill subsequent to the Committee's Report released on 9 May?
- 5. Has Treasury (or any other government agency, to Treasury's knowledge) been directed to do any work to explore alternative collection models, subsequent to the Committee's Report released on 9 May?

Answer:

- 1. Treasury did not finalise a RIS.
- 2. There are no further requirements to produce a RIS associated with this measure.
- 3. Treasury provided details to State and Territory Governments on the expected GST revenue associated with this measure.
- 4. Given that Parliament was considering the legislation and it has now secured Parliamentary passage, no further formal consultation was undertaken subsequent to the Committee's report on 9 May 2017.
- 5. The legislation requires a Productivity Commission Inquiry to look into the collection models by 31 October 2017.