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Senator KIM CARR: Mr Lalor, what is the FBT liability?

Senator Ronaldson: When you grin at those things, it just shows how incredibly guilty you clearly are about what your government did.

Mr Lalor: A potential FBT liability could arise if a company was giving a benefit to its employees that was not for the purpose of its current employment.

Senator KIM CARR: That is right. What would the monetary value be of a contribution of this size?

Mr Lalor: I do not have those details. I would have to take that on notice.

ANSWER

It is impossible to predetermine the amount of FBT liabilities to be incurred by an employer. The *Fringe Benefits Tax Assessment Act 1986* provides specific details and rules on how to identify and calculate the FBT liability.