

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins

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**Question:**

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: What are the other significant changes since the handbook was first established, back in 2012, relating to the current workings of the cabinet?

Mr Fox: I would have to take that on notice.

**Answer:**

These changes were outlined by Mr Fox at the Additional Estimates hearing (Hansard pages 48 to 50 refer). To clarify, Cabinet timeframes require documents to be final three working days prior to the expected consideration date.