

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2016**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Sunset Provisions**

Question: **226**

Written: **Senator Ludwig**

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 1 April 2016

1. Please list all current legislation, covered by the department's portfolio, which contain a sunset provision/s. For each, please provide:
 - a. What work has been done towards preparing for the activation of sunset provisions? If no work has commenced, why not?
 - b. Has any consideration been given to delaying or alerting the sunset provisions?
 - c. Please provide a schedule or a workplan for the sunset provisions becoming active
 - d. When did/will this work begin?
2. Will there be any reviews of or relating to the legislation before or after the sunset provision is enacted? If yes:
 - a. When is/was the review due to commence.
 - b. What is the expected report date.
 - c. Who is the minister responsible for the review
 - d. What department is responsible for the review
 - e. List the specific clauses or legislation under review caused by the statutory provision.
 - f. List the terms of reference.
 - g. What is the scope of the review.
 - h. Who is conducting the review. How were they selected? What are the legislated obligation for the selection of the person to conduct the review?
 - i. What is the budgeted, projected or expected costs of the review?
 - j. When was the Minister briefed on this matter?
 - k. What decision points are upcoming for the minister on this matter?
 - l. List the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review
 - m. Will the report will be tabled in parliament or made public. If so, when?

Answer

The Department does not manage any legislation that contains sunset provisions.