

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** Senator Jenny McAllister

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**Question:**

With reference to the department's \$9,900 contract with Adelaide Bragg for work related to The Lodge and the Commonwealth Procurement Rules (2014) r.6.6 which provides that "officials undertaking procurement must act ethically throughout the procurement" and ethical behaviour includes recognising and dealing with actual, potential and perceived conflicts of interest":

- a) Did officials believed that contracting with Adelaide Bragg would give rise to an actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest;
- b) if yes, please provide details of what steps, if any, were taken to deal with the conflict of interest, including any documentation of the same,
- c) if no, please provide details of why officials did not believe the procurement gave rise to a conflict of interest, including any documentation of the same.

**Answer:**

Refer to the response to PM233.