

# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee — Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2017

## Answers to Questions on Notice

### Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Group 2 Security Works**

Question: **18**

Hansard Reference: **p 48, 22 May 2017**

#### **Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 7 July 2017**

**Senator XENOPHON:** But since then it has gone up \$9.5 million in price.

**Mr Yanitsas:** It has gone up \$9.5 million, but I will say that that is not a result of something changing within the contract. That is the result of scope being added to the contract, and scope that was able to be accurately—

**Senator XENOPHON:** If you could provide on notice details of how it was that that scope was added to the contract, and on what date the nature of the scope. And it goes to the question that Senator Wong asked—

**Mr Yanitsas:** I will take it on notice.

#### **Answer**

The variations to the contract are made up of items which were either not sufficiently defined in order to include them as part of the tender scope and/or items that were not foreseen at the time of the tender i.e. scope of works arising as a requirement of further design and stakeholder input following the tender process.

Under a Design and Construction Contract, a substantial amount of detailed design takes place once a contractor has been appointed, following a tender. In seeking confirmation of stakeholder endorsement of the detailed design, further requirements have been identified and added to the scope. See Question on Notice 13 for further information.