

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Senator: Senator the Hon John Faulkner

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Question:

Senator Abetz: I know that a code of ministerial conduct is being finalised in the Prime Minister's office. As to a timeline, I am not 100 per cent sure. As to what code applies in the interim, I will need to take on notice.

Senator FAULKNER: I appreciate that; it would be helpful if that could be provided

Answer:

The Prime Minister made clear his expectations of ministers shortly after their swearing in.

The Statement of Ministerial Standards was tabled in both houses of Parliament on 11 December 2013 and is available on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's website.