

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

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**Question:**

Senator McLUCAS: I want to go very quickly to municipal and essential services. Minister Scullion announced in the Senate that agreement had been reached with various states and territories about the delivery of municipal services. Are those agreements formal documents?

Ms Carroll: The form of the agreements is an exchange of letters.

Senator McLUCAS: It would be unusual for us to ask for those letters, but can we have them?

Ms Carroll: We will take that on notice.

**Answer:**

The Department is seeking permission to release the documents from the State Governments of Queensland, Victoria, Tasmania and Western Australia and will provide advice once a response is received.