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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Topic: Penalties and enforcement of disclosure

Senator: Rhiannon

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Question:

Senator RHIANNON: Okay, thank you very much. We will come back to that. I want to go to an issue that we have discussed previously at different times—the issue of penalties and the enforcement of disclosure. I think it is correct that there have been no convictions in the past five years. Is that a fair summary; is that about where we are up to?

Mr Pirani: We have had one in relation to an independent candidate in 2010.

Senator RHIANNON: Can you give us any further information, please?

Mr Pirani: I would need to get details of that.

Mr Rogers: We can take that on notice and provide you those details.

Answer:

There has not been any conviction recorded for offences against the Funding and Disclosure provisions of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (the Act) in the last five years.