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Question

Comcare review and suspension of self-insurance

Is the fact that self-insurance has been suspended while this review is underway an indication that, perhaps, that concept might be reconsidered under the review?

Answer

No. The Minister's media release of 23 January 2008 states that, "The purpose of the review is to ensure that the Comcare scheme provides a suitable occupational health and safety (OHS) and workers' compensation system for self-insurers and their employees".