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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES

Outcome: All Output Group: All

DEST Question No. E314_05

Senator Murray provided in writing.

Question:

What mechanisms does the Department have in place to ensure its procurement guidelines reflect current policy in relation to government contracting?

Answer:

Procurement guidelines

This is undertaken centrally by the Procurement Management Section located in Procurement, Assurance and Legal Group (PALG). The Section continually monitors the latest developments via liaison with DoFA, participation in the Commonwealth Procurement Discussion Group (a DEST initiative) and via the internal business rules of BUYIT – the DEST electronic Procurement Management System. BUYIT is available to DEST APS staff and contains all Commonwealth and DEST procurement business rules and requirements.