Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: Change in the judicial or practical interpretation of directors' duties

favoured by Labor members in their supplementary report

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Senator Stott Despoja asked: Is the Government aware of, and has the Government taken steps to make itself aware of, any change in the judicial or practical interpretation of directors' duties favoured by the Labor members in their supplementary report, that might act as a barrier to, or otherwise inhibit, the consideration of 'legitimate environmental and social issues by directors'?

Answer: The Department is not aware of any changes to the judicial interpretation of directors' duties.