

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2013-2014

Finance Portfolio

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Senator: Wong

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Question:

Can the Department outline any work that is being undertaken regarding the *Williams* High Court decision, including preparations for a subsequent challenge?

Answer:

The matter of *Williams v the Commonwealth of Australia and Ors* (S154 of 2013) was filed in the High Court on 8 August 2013. The matter is listed for hearing before the full Court on 6, 7 and, if required, 8 May 2014. It is not appropriate to comment further on matters currently before the Court.