

Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Senator Murray asked:

Please outline the Future Fund's policy (failing a formal policy, the Future Fund's views) with respect to short selling (various types).

Answer:

Short selling of various types is a legitimate investment activity and forms part of the investment strategies of many institutional investors.

The current investment mandates, issued to investment managers by the Future Fund Board of Guardians, do not permit short selling.