

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of Finance and Deregulation

Outcome/Program: General

Topic: Reviews

Senator: Fifield

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Question:

- a) How many Reviews are currently being undertaken by all departments and agencies in each portfolio?
- b) When will each of these reviews be concluded?
- c) What reviews have been concluded FYTD?
- d) Which of these reviews has been provided to Government?
- e) When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?
- f) What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews?
- g) What further reviews are planned for 2010 - 11 FY?

Answer:

As at 31 May 2011:

- a) Six
- b) One due September 2011; one due October 2011, three due end of 2011; one due 30 June 2012.
- c)– d) Eight reviews have been completed and provided to government
- e) This is a matter for government
- f) Only those costs not absorbed by the department have been included, except in the case of strategic reviews for which the department is funded.

The eight completed reviews have cost: \$5,000; \$210,000; \$395,000; \$181,000; \$71,000; \$207,000; \$1,272,000; and *\$92,216.
- g) This is a matter for government.

* Shared equally between Finance and the Departments of the Treasury and the Prime Minister and Cabinet.