Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Senator: Senator Abetz

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Question:

Has the Department undertaken any alternative policy costings? If yes, provide details of what these costings were, including provision of costings documents, and who made the request and when.

Answer:

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet does not undertake policy costings. The costing of policy proposals is undertaken by the Department of the Treasury and the Department of Finance and Deregulation.