

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Senator: Senator Fifield

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Question:

Senator FIFIELD: They might not have revenue cabinet meetings anymore. Things may have changed. Which portfolio had carriage of it? I appreciate that it came from the budget process, but it is not outside the scope of usual questions as to whereabouts something was initiated.

Ms Cross: I do not think that we would normally go into that level of detail about the budget process. But I am happy to take that on notice and check for you.

Answer:

Under a long standing convention, the Department does not reveal information about Budget deliberations in the interest of maintaining the confidentiality of processes associated with Budget, and therefore Cabinet deliberations.