

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Senator:** Senator Ludlam

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**Question:**

Senator LUDLAM: As an example, what freedom of information rules apply to the centre?

Some of the agencies are completely immune and some of them are not—that is one example.

Mr McKinnon: I would like to take that one on notice as well, Senator

**Answer:**

The separate agencies co-located in the ACSC will be guided by their separate legislative and policy mandates. *The Freedom of Information Act 1982* will continue to apply to all agencies co-located in the ACSC except those not subject to the Act. They will remain exempt from FOI requests.