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Hansard page: N/A

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Senator Forshaw asked:

Can the Department advise whether these pricing reviews were conducted in the following year?

Answer:

No. In the context of the Budget Estimates and Framework Review, the Government decided not to proceed with these output pricing reviews.

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Senator Forshaw asked:

Which agencies were scheduled for these pricing reviews?

Answer:

The agencies that were scheduled for these pricing reviews were: Australian Broadcasting Corporation, Australian Federal Police, Australian Sports Commission, Australian Trade Commission, Centrelink, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, Department of Education, Science and Training, Department of Environment and Heritage, Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources, Department of Transport and Regional Services, and the Department of the Treasury.

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Senator Forshaw asked:

In the absence of these pricing reviews, how was the delivery of outputs by the targeted agencies measured?

Answer:

There is an ongoing requirement for all agencies to report their outputs and associated performance information in Portfolio Budget Statements and annual reports.

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