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Senator Fifield asked:

- a) What involvement has the Office of Best Practice Regulation had in the development of the final report of the 5 year review of the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport?
- b) When was the Office first asked to provide input into the final report?
- c) How long has the Office been working on the final report?
- d) Is the final report ready to release as far as the Office of Best Practice Regulation is concerned?
- e) When did the Office finalise its work on the final report?

Answer:

- a) The Office of Best Practice Regulation has had no involvement in the development of the final report of the review of Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport. The review was commissioned by the Attorney-General's Department and was undertaken by the Allen Consulting Group.
- b) The Office received a copy of the final report from the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government in January 2010. The Office advised the Department which recommendations in the report would require regulation impacts statements in February 2010.
- c) See (a) above.
- d) The release of the final report is a matter for the Government.
- e) See (a) above.