

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

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Question No. 41

Senator Ludwig tabled the following question at the hearing on 14 February 2006:

Crime Stoppers

- a) Please provide copies of the performance reports mentioned in the reply to Question 53 from 31 October 2005.
- b) What independent confirmation or verification is done of these performance reports?
- c) Who does this, and how often do they do this?
- d) If they are not independently verified – why not?
- e) Are there any plans to extend the funding after October this year? If not, why not?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- a) The progress reports are produced in accordance with the Agreement between the Commonwealth and Crime Stoppers Australia. The reports are not available for public release.
- b) It is a requirement of the Agreement that progress reports contain independent audited financial statements in addition to descriptions of activities undertaken.
- c) Annual audited statements are to be completed by a qualified independent auditor.
- d) Not applicable.
- e) No decision has been made to extend funding after October 2006.