SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT SOLICITOR

Question No. 10

Senator Abetz asked the following question at the hearing on 14 February 2012:

Senator ABETZ: Unless I get a second wind after asking other questions, that should dispense with the HSU matters. This question relates to the government's commitment, now broken, to Mr Wilkie in relation to poker machine reform. Was the Australian Government Solicitor asked by the government for advice in relation to this issue?

Mr Govey: I think I can say that we have been involved in providing advice on the government's gambling reform proposals, but that is the limit of what I can say.

Senator ABETZ: When were you first asked?

Mr Govey: I do not have that date.

Senator ABETZ: Can you take that on notice?

Mr Govey: Certainly.

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

26 October 2010.