

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Question No. 16

Senators Barnett and Ryan asked the following question at the hearing on 18 October 2010:

Please provide a copy of the commission-approved guidelines on accepting or not accepting funds from outside government.

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

In making decisions about external funding arrangements, the Commission takes into account its obligations under:

- Financial Management and Accountability Act and Regulations;
- Government's Cost Recovery Guidelines;¹ and
- APS Values and Code of Conduct.

The Commission has promulgated these materials into a set of *Guidelines for cost recovery and new project funding*. A copy is attached.

¹ Department of Finance and Administration, *Australian Government Cost Recovery Guidelines*, Financial Management Guidance No. 4, July 2005.