3

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2020-21

Attorney General's Department

LCC-AE21-31 Dates of meetings and who has been consulted on Religious Discrimination draft legislation

Senator Deborah O'Neill asked the following question on 23 March 2021:

Senator O'NEILL: Has Minister Porter been meeting with any of these groups, or has he delegated that to staff in his office?

Senator Stoker: I would have to take that on notice. My expectation is that it's probably a combination.

Senator O'NEILL: If you could provide on notice the dates of meetings and who you've been consulting with, that would be very helpful, especially if the intention is to operate in a bipartisan way.

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

The department has not conducted any consultations on the proposed Religious Discrimination Bill and associated legislative package since the conclusion of the consultation period on the second exposure draft of the legislative package (31 January 2020).