

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Inquiry into the Australian Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic

2020 - 2021

Division: JobKeeper Division
Topic: Changes to JobKeeper
Reference: Written Question from Senator Gallagher –31 July, IQ20-000196

Question:

Do the changes announced by the Government to JobKeeper due to take effect after 27 September 2020 require new/amending legislation, or can the announced changes be given effect via legislative instrument?

Answer:

The changes announced by the Government to JobKeeper due to take effect after 27 September 2020 require legislative changes to support an extension of the program to 28 March. They also require changes to the rules to establish the new turnover test and other details for the period of the extension beyond 27 September.