

# **Senate Rural Affairs and Transport References Committee**

**Questions on Notice – Thursday, 7 July 2011  
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## **Inquiry into Biosecurity & Quarantine Arrangements**

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**1. HANSARD, PG 13**

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**Mr Burridge:** The deal was done as far as we were concerned as well. We actually went out and got an independent, eminently qualified individual to do a review of what the legitimate costs of government were.

**Senator COLBECK:** What did they say?

**Mr Burridge:** He said there was definitely a component that was a legitimate cost of government.

**Senator COLBECK:** Was it quantified?

**Mr Burridge:** It was an interesting report, yes.

**Senator COLBECK:** Is it possible that the committee could get access to that report?

**Mr Burridge:** I would have to take that on notice at this stage.

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**2. HANSARD, PG 14**

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**Senator NASH:** I have a question to put on notice, if that is all right. It goes back to the legitimate cost to government. Having been through the process for two years and the thoughts you had at the time about what they were, could you provide on notice for the committee a breakdown of what you think they are now, what you see as the priority, legitimate costs and the costs attached to that? Having been through the process for two years, could you give the committee a very clear understanding of what your concerns are now around that and what you think the costs actually are?

**Mr Burridge:** Not a problem.