

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Department of Industry, Science and Resources  
Inquiry into the Treasury Laws Amendment (Electric Car Discount) Bill 2022 [Provisions]  
25 August 2022

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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** Department of Industry, Science and Resources

**TOPIC:** QoN 1 - Consultation on initiative

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**QUESTION No.: 1**

Senator DEAN SMITH: I have some questions for the Department of Industry, Science and Resources. Can the department share with the committee the consultation process that it went through in supporting the development of this specific initiative?

Ms Looney: Our department hasn't been directly involved in the development of this legislation.

Senator DEAN SMITH: Does that mean you also have not been able to quantify the positive impact or otherwise on EV take-up in Australia of this specific initiative?

Ms Looney: No, we haven't looked at that. Our colleagues at Treasury would be leading that work.

Senator DEAN SMITH: Well, they have not been able to detail it either.

Ms Looney: In terms of this particular piece of legislation, I might mention that it's probably more likely that the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water would have been involved than the department of industry.

Senator DEAN SMITH: Do you expect that they were involved or do you know that they were involved?

Ms Looney: I'd need to take that particular question on notice, but it would be more within their remit to be looking at that than within ours.

**ANSWER**

As advised by the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW), the Treasury consulted with DCCEEW on specific provisions of the Bill. The Treasury also consulted with DCCEEW on the Electric Car Discount policy design.