

SENATE ECONOMICS COMMITTEE
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Treasury Portfolio

Inquiry into Augmented Tax Assessments

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Question: Has the department ever looked at an idea like this before—a tax receipt or a way of giving a better understanding to taxpayers as part of their annual assessment or otherwise of how taxes are spent?

Topic: Augmented tax assessments

Answer: The Government provides information in its suite of Budget papers which contributes to taxpayers' understanding of government expenditure. For instance, the annual Final Budget Outcome document disaggregates actual Australian Government general government sector expenditure into functions.