

**Question on notice no. 128**

**Portfolio question number: SQ24-001327**

**2024-25 Supplementary budget estimates**

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee, Infrastructure,  
Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts Portfolio**

**Senator Steph Hodgins-May:** asked the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts on 14 November 2024—

Has the Department sought resources in the forward estimates for a full and extensive review of the Airports Act 1996 and associated regulations beyond what was suggested in Initiatives 38 - 40 of the White Paper to address the Act's flawed and inequitable consultation and assessment processes?

**Answer —**

Please find answer attached

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2024 - 2025**

**Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts**

**Committee Question Number: 128**

**Departmental Question Number: SQ24-001327**

**Division/Agency Name: DIV - Domestic Aviation and Reform**

**Hansard Reference: Written (14 November 2024)**

**Topic: Funding for a review of the Airport Act 1996**

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**Answer:**

Noting that the White Paper a review be undertaken by 2030, the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts was not allocated additional funding for this review in the 2024-25 Budget.