

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2010-2011, 23 February 2011

Question: E11-037

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: PLAIN PACKAGING

Written Question on Notice

Senator Bernardi asked:

- a) As part of the Government's preventative health strategies, does the Department rule out plain packaging approaches for other consumables that are identified as posing public health risks?
- b) Does the Department rule out plain packaging and graphic health warnings for energy drinks?
- c) Does the Department rule out plain packaging and graphic health warnings for wine?
- d) Does the Department rule out plain packaging and health warnings for beer and cider?
- e) Does the Department rule out plain packaging and health warnings for spirits, including alcopops?
- f) Does the Department rule out plain packaging and health warnings for snack food that the Preventative Health Taskforce considers as drivers of increasing rates of obesity and diabetes?
- g) Does the Department rule out plain packaging and health warnings for fast foods that the Preventative Health Taskforce considers as drivers of increasing rates of obesity and diabetes?

Answer:

a – g)

The Government is not considering plain packaging for any product other than tobacco.