Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Budget Estimates May 2017

Communications Portfolio

Australia Post

Question No: 103

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Topic: By-passed by private sector Senator Roberts, Malcolm asked:

Given that Aussie Post has largely been by-passed by more customer responsive competitors such as private sector couriers and email, can taxpayer subsidies and government protection any longer be justified (if they ever were)?

Answer:

As a self-funding Government Business Enterprise, Australia Post does not receive any tax-payer funds. Australia Post is subject to the same Federal, State and local government taxes and charges as any other business.