Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question:

Mr Brake: The costings include the effect of the change in the company tax rate, which changes franking credit, which changes the amount of personal tax paid. Senator Cormann: So the answer is yes. Mr Brake: The phasing is such that by 2023-24 all companies have a 27.5 per cent company tax rate, and then it goes 27, 26, 25. Senator WONG: Does it include the effect of the 25 per cent rate for all companies in the 2026-27 year? Mr Brake: Yes. Senator WONG: What is the costing for that year? Mr Brake: We will have to take that on notice.

Answer:

The medium-term estimate of the cost to the budget of lifting the small business entity threshold and reducing the company tax rate to 25 per cent to 2026-27 was estimated at \$48.2 billion in cash terms at the time of the 2016-17 Budget. Estimates for individual years have been provided over the relevant forward estimates period as per budget convention.