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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Division/Agency: Structural Reform Group

Question No: 286

Topic: Budget Measure 17/18 - New National Housing and Homelessness Agreement: Role of National Competition Council

Reference: Written

Senator: Cameron, Doug

Question:

What expertise does the National Competition Council have to assist with implementation and assessment of performance against targets and benchmarks in the NHHA?

Answer:

- The National Competition Council (NCC) is an independent research and advisory body which was established by agreement of the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) in 1995.
- The NCC will be provided with \$6.5 million (as at 30 June 2017) over the forward estimates period to assist with the implementation and ongoing assessment of housing supply and planning and zoning focused performance measures under the new National Housing and Homelessness Agreement (NHHA).
- The role of the NCC will be to set and assess performance targets for housing supply targets and planning and zoning reforms. This requires expertise that is not currently within the Commonwealth Government. The NCC will assist with the implementation and ongoing assessment of housing supply based performance, including housing supply and planning and zoning measures under a new NHHA.