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Ministerial discretion on the transfer of funds

Question

Senator KIM CARR: Ms Paul, if you could refresh my memory. Is ministerial discretion on the transfer of

funds still at \$10 million so long as it is within the same program?

Ms Paul: I probably need to phone a friend on that question. Sorry, I should know. I will have to take it on

notice.

Senator KIM CARR: My recollection is that it is \$10 million if it is within the same program. Ms Paul: I cannot recall, sorry.

Answer

Reallocations of administered funds are guided by the Budget Process Operational Rules. These rules are endorsed by Cabinet and therefore they are classified Cabinet in Confidence. Given the classification we are not able to disclose this information.