

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2015-16

Finance Portfolio
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Outcome/Program: 2/2.1

Topic: Charging Review - Finance

Senator: Wong

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Question:

1. Can the Department provide an update of the work being done on the Finance portfolio charging review?
2. Which services or activities within the Finance portfolio are subject to charging under the Australian Government Charging Framework?
3. Which services or activities within the Finance portfolio are subject to cost-recovery activities?
4. Which services or activities within the Finance portfolio are not subject to charging or cost-recovery activities?

Answer:

1. Finance completed its portfolio charging review during late 2015 and early 2016, and provided the outcomes of the review to the Finance Minister.
2. Two activities have been identified as subject to charging under the Australian Government Charging Framework, being COMCAR Ground Transport for Guest of Government Visits (Department of Finance), and Fee-for-service elections (Australian Electoral Commission).
3. Both of the above activities are cost-recovery activities under the framework.
4. All other activities in the portfolio are funded either through appropriations or charging of other Government bodies.