

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2017-18**

Finance Portfolio  
24-25 May 2017

**Department/Agency:** Finance  
**Outcome/Program:** 2/2.2  
**Topic:** Red Tape Repeal

**Senator:** Gallagher  
**Question reference number:** F49  
**Type of question:** Hansard Proof, 25 May 2017, F&PA Committee, page 42  
**Date set by the committee for the return of answer:** Friday, 7 July 2017

**Number of pages:** 1

**Question:**

**Senator GALLAGHER:** The last red tape repeal day was in 2015. I note that the Cutting Red Tape website has not been updated since March 2016, the Quit the Red Tape website I think was updated in December 2016.

**Senator Cormann:** But this is in the Prime Minister's portfolio. This is PM&C.

**Senator GALLAGHER:** I was going to ask you as a member of the executive is the red tape repeal day still policy of the government.

**Senator Cormann:** It is not in my area of portfolio responsibility. I will take it on notice and see whether I can assist you.

...

**Senator GALLAGHER:** On the previous red tape repeal bills, people did have to generate ideas through individual departments. My question is: does Finance have legislative drafting going on for a red tape repeal?

**Senator Cormann:** We have contributed to these processes from time to time as appropriate. I have already taken on notice that there is anything else I can add to that.

**Answer:**

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) is responsible for the Cutting Red Tape reform.