

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** Kitching

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**Question:**

**Senator KITCHING:** I agree with you. Is there any duplication of media monitoring undertaken by the Department of Finance compared to the parliamentary departments or the Department of the Treasury?

**Ms Huxtable:** I think we would have to take that on notice. We would not know what their search criteria were or the like.

**Answer:**

Each department manages its own media monitoring needs through individual contracts because each department has different requirements and monitoring needs.

It is possible there is some duplication of key words in search lists; however, the words are searched in a context, not as a stand alone word, and therefore different search terms will surface different reports specific to the requirements of individual departments.