

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014-15

Finance Portfolio

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Outcome/Program: General

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Senator: Rhiannon

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Question:

At Estimates hearings in May 2014, the AFP advised that the AEC had not made any referrals to the AFP on funding and disclosure.

Given that Altum, 6 St Paul's Terrace Trust, and LNP Nominees have moved nearly \$21 million to the LNP in Queensland over the last years, with annual returns revealing a complex web of transactions, is the AEC considering referring the Queensland LNP associated entities for further investigation?

Answer:

The AEC has reviewed the 2012-13 annual disclosure returns of each of these three entities under the authority of s.316(2A) of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (the Act) to determine compliance with the disclosure provisions under the Act.