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Senator Eggleston asked:

Senator EGGLESTON—Thank you very much for that answer. The first key performance indicator for program 4 is:

Extent to which tourism interests are considered and reflected in the broader context of Australian Government policy development and implementation, including in relation to labour ...

That is in the portfolio budget statement at page 37. To what extent were tourism interests considered and reflected as part of the government's award modernisation process?

Ms Madden—I am not sure what document you are referring to, but the portfolio additional estimates has as the first KPI something different to the item that you have just read out.

Senator EGGLESTON—It says the KPI for program 4.

Ms Rose—Following some feedback from the ANAO regarding our performance indicators in our portfolio budget statements we did a complete review of our key performance indicators and they were published in our portfolio additional estimates statements. We have actually done a complete update of our KPIs and now have a different set for each program, including program 4.

Senator EGGLESTON—Thank you very much. So we need to have a look at them.

Ms Rose—Would you like a copy of the additional estimates statements tabled?

Senator EGGLESTON—If you would, that would be very helpful. Related to that, to what extent were tourism interests considered and reflected as part of the government's decision to increase the employer funded superannuation guarantee from nine per cent to 12 per cent?

Answer:

A copy of the latest Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements 2010-11 for the Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism can be found at:

<http://www.ret.gov.au/Department/Documents/Budget%202010-2011/PAES-2010-11.pdf>