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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: Workplace Relations - Modelling

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Senator Bushby asked:

Senator BUSHBY—Are you saying that the modelling that you have done and provided to the Treasurer to assess the impact of the government's workplace relations policies does not necessarily directly address economic growth?

Dr Henry—Again, you are asking about advice provided to the Treasurer.

Senator BUSHBY—I was asking whether you have done economic modelling that addresses that? I am not asking what the results of it were or the resultant advice, just where the modelling was done to look at the impact on economic growth of the government's workplace relations policies.

Dr Henry—I would have to take that question on notice.

Answer:

Treasury has not modelled, or commissioned modelling, that identifies economic effects specifically attributable to the Government's workplace relations changes.