

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

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Question: bet 22

Topic: Tax Review – Incentives for Lawyers

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Senator Ludlam asked:

1. Is the government considering in its tax review, incentives for lawyers to practice in rural and regional areas where there are 3 lawyers per 10,000 residents aged 18 and above, as compared to an average of 10 per 10,000 in urban areas?

Answer:

1. No, the scope of the Australia's Future Tax Review is broad and we expect the Review Panel's recommendations to deal with more general and systemic issues rather than specific incentives, such as that raised by the question.