

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Budget Estimates, 2 June – 4 June 2009

**Question: bet 51**

**Topic: Cartel Legislation**

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**Senator Barnett asked:**

1. What is the Government's position on the proposed legislation to criminalise cartels?

**Answer:**

The Trade Practices Amendment (Cartel Conduct and Other Measures) Act 2009 received Royal Assent on 26 June 2009. The provisions relating to the criminalisation of cartel conduct commenced on 24 June 2009.