

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

**TOPIC:** Archiving

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator COLBECK

**QUESTION No.:** BI-77

**Senator COLBECK:** What are the department's obligations for archiving material, especially publications from its website?

**Ms Graham:** We would probably have to take that on notice. There are obligations but I just do not have them outlined here.

**Senator COLBECK:** That would include, I presume, some formal arrangements with the National Library?

**Ms Graham:** That is right.

**ANSWER**

The department has policies and procedures in place to ensure materials including publications from its website are achieved in line with Commonwealth legislative requirements.

Websites and website content are retained in accordance the National Archives of Australia Administrative Functions Disposal Authority (AFDA), which sets out requirements for keeping, destroying or transferring records of administrative records including publications performed for Australian Government agencies.