

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**Industry, Tourism and Resources Portfolio**  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES  
**TOPIC:** AUSTRALIAN BUILDING CODES BOARD – ACCESSIBLE HOUSING  
**REFERENCE:** WRITTEN QUESTION

**QUESTION No.SI-29**

**Senator Carr** asked:

The Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) decided at its November 2005 meeting that the final Accessible Housing Report should be referred to relevant State and Territory bodies through ABCB Board members, which occurred early this year. What timelines have been set to reach a decision on the release of the Accessible Housing Report in part or whole, particularly given that the public discussion of the report was part of the research brief for this report and that the research should not be allowed to become out of date?

**ANSWER**

The Accessible Housing report contains matters that are outside the ABCB's domain. The report is currently with the State and Territory Governments and the ABCB awaits their advice on the release of the report.