Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates
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Question No: SBT 101

Topic: Credit cards

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Bushby asked:

What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?

Answer:

Credit card policy and guidance material is published on the ATO's intranet via a Chief Executive Instruction and Finance Management Practice Statements on the administration and the usage of corporate credit cards. To complement the policy, all ATO staff who apply for a corporate credit card are required to pass an online learning module prior to receiving a credit card.

All credit card transactions are scrutinised by a credit card administration unit for the bona fides of the transactions, and the ATO fraud prevention team performs random checks on data including credit card use in the financial management system.