

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Department of Finance and Administration

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Question: F7

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Topic: Reduction of Non-Lapsing Appropriations

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Senator Sherry asked:

Have any appropriations lapsed? Do you have any more detail?

Answer:

Yes. As at 31 March 2005, one appropriation had been reduced.

At the request of the Minister for Revenue and the Assistant Treasurer, the Hon Mal Brough, MP, the Minister for Finance and Administration approved a reduction of \$2.1 million to the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority's 2001-02 departmental appropriation on 21 January 2005.

The determination reducing the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority's departmental appropriation for 2001-02 was registered under the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003* and was tabled in Parliament on 10 March 2005. Under that Act, the determination is a disallowable instrument and is subject to a disallowance period of 15 sitting days.