

## **Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

### **ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Additional Estimates Hearing – February 2010**

**Department of Finance and Deregulation**

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**Outcome 1, Program 1.1**

**Outcome 2, Program 2.1**

**Topic: Election Commitments**

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**Senator Ryan asked:**

- a) Has the Department identified the status of election commitments within its purview?
- b) Which of these commitments have yet to be completed? Why? What are revised expected completion dates for delayed commitments?

**Answer:**

- a) Yes.
- b)(i) Operation Sunlight, which is a suite of measures to enhance Budget transparency, has been largely implemented. Net cash arrangements are currently being agreed and will be finalised for the 2010-11 budget. The Government is examining options for reform of the Charter of Budget Honesty, including the role of the public service.
- b)(ii) Tender processes for centralised supply contracts are progressively rolled out as areas of procurement that lend themselves to centralised supply contracts are identified.