

Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Senator Fifield asked:

Thank you for that. Also, and this may be difficult so you may want to take it on notice, if it is possible to provide the information about the take-up of this exemption would it be possible to compare the first year of the take-up of the operation of this exemption to that of a period beforehand? We could see whether this exemption has actually led to an increase, so we would not just have the absolute numbers for the first year of operation but we could compare it to the previous year or two or three.

Mr Tune—I think the difficulty is going to be the AusTender data and how far back it goes. We will have a look but I have got my doubts that we would be able to give you anything that we would consider to be statistically reliable. But I will have a look.

Answer:

See response to F7.