

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Finance and Administration

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Topic: The ongoing costs of ICT in agencies and departments

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Senator Lundy asked:

Who does AGIMO or Finance monitor in regards to the ongoing costs of ICT in agencies and departments?

Answer:

The primary responsibility for monitoring IT costs and projects is with the CEO of each agency. Finance does not specifically monitor IT costs across all agencies. This is consistent with the Australian Government's devolved management environment.

In some cases, Finance may be asked to monitor specific IT-related Budget measures, for example, where significant savings in administered expenses are expected to result from the measure.