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Senator Faulkner asked: Who came up with this extraordinary definition about a campaign commencing when the first ad goes to air? How did that definition come into being?

Answer: In order to provide definitive and comparable information it was necessary for the department to identify a commencement point that was not subject to further amendment or adjustment.

