

Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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Question: PM6

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Topic: Change to the roles or functions of the Governor-General

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Senator Fifield asked: - I am just wondering if in discussions between the Prime Minister and the Governor-General designate the Prime Minister canvassed any change to the roles or functions of the Governor-General? I know that the activities of governors-general change from time to time, as do what a Prime Minister will do versus what a Governor-General will do. I am wondering if there have been any discussions between the Governor-General and the Prime Minister about any changes to the style or function of that office.

Senator Faulkner-I simply do not know the answer to the question that you have asked...It would be a matter for me to take on notice?

Senator FIFIELD-I am surprised that you do not know, but I appreciate you taking it on notice.

Answer: No.