

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Senator CORMANN-So did the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, under its domestic policy output, provide advice in the budget context on the proposal to change Medibank Private into a forprofit health fund?**

**Mr Mrdak-Certainly, if the measure was being dealt with in the budget, we would have provided advice-**

**Senator CORMANN-Can you perhaps give me a date?**

**Mr Mrdak-If I can take that on notice then I will.**

**Answer:** The departments of Finance and Deregulation, Treasury, and the Prime Minister and Cabinet provided advice on this issue to the Strategic Priorities and Budget Committee of Cabinet (SPBC) during the 2009-10 Budget process. This was considered on 17 April 2009.