Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Senator Abetz asked:

Can you take on notice for me how many changes to the draft tabling statement were made that you were provided with by the department prior to its actual tabling?

Senator Ludwig—I will put the caveat on that I indicated earlier as to whether or not—

Senator ABETZ—I do not want the detail. All I want to know is the number of changes, so that does not go to the detail.

Answer:

The draft statement that was provided by the Department of Finance and Deregulation to the Cabinet Secretary was substantially re-written. It would be an unreasonable diversion of resources to count or list every single change that was made to the document.