

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013**

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance and Deregulation

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**Senator:** Cormann

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**Question:**

**Senator CORMANN:** Obviously, one does not want to cause any issues with these sorts of matters, but it seems odd to have to sign when there is actually an acknowledgement on both sides of the equation that there is an error. And errors do happen.

**Senator Chris Evans:** Perhaps the best way is for the officers to take on notice the concern about that.

**Mr Tune:** We will take that on board. I understand the issue better now. We will follow that up and chase that through and see if there is any change of process we can put in place.

**Answer:**

The Department of Finance and Deregulation attempts to quickly resolve any queries posed by Senators and Members about their six-monthly entitlements usage reports. Every effort is made to identify and resolve an issue and to annotate the specific report where appropriate.