Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio Department of Finance and Administration

Supplementary Estimates Hearings 2002-2003 – 20 November 2002

Question: F47

Programme 10 (former Office of Asset Sales and IT Outsourcing), Outcome 2

Topic: Health Group IT Outsourcing

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Senator Ray asked:

You said—it was not that you took umbrage—you did not entirely agree with it. The department was sent a draft report. Did you comment on this item in the draft report before the final report came out? That is the normal process, isn't it, to prevent errors and all that? Did you actually object at that stage?

Answer:

The Department of Finance and Administration provided extensive comments on the draft Audit Report provided by the ANAO. No specific comments were made on Paragraph 44 as we believed that this matter had been dealt with in comments on other paragraphs of the draft report.