Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Australian Electoral Commission

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Question: F29

Outcome: Australian Electoral Commission

Topic: Compliance with financial disclosure obligations

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Senator Carr asked:

On page 31 you refer to these disclosures and possible breaches of the act. Can you tell me on how many occasions this has occurred? How many cases have you discussed with the DPP but not necessarily taken up to the point of prosecution? Can you also provide me with a list of those cases and what the issues were?

Answer:

One (1) case was referred to the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions for consideration of prosecution action. The case was a possible failure to lodge an annual financial disclosure return.