

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Senator Brown asked: So it was a secret at the time that the \$50 million package was announced?

Answer: The total value of the Tasmanian Community Forest Agreement is \$246.8 million. This comprises \$156.8 million in Australian Government funding and \$90 million in Tasmanian Government funding. This figure does not include the Forest Conservation Fund, the value of which is commercial-in-confidence.