

**Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**Department of Finance and Deregulation**

**Supplementary Estimates Hearing – October 2010**

**Outcome General, Program General**

**Topic: Reviews**

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**Senator Bernardi asked:**

- a) What is the total number of Reviews both completed and ongoing in the portfolio/agency or affecting the portfolio agency since Budget Estimates 2010?
- b) Please provide a breakdown of reviews completed since Budget Estimates 2010 including:
  - i. when those reviews were provided to Government,
  - ii. estimated cost of producing each review (and total cost) and
  - iii. if the Government has responded to the review or information about when the Government has indicated it will/will not respond to the review.
- c) How many reviews are ongoing?
- d) How many reviews have been completed since additional estimates?
- e) What further reviews are planned in the portfolio/agency?
- f) Will any of these reviews cease due to the 2010 Election?

**Answer:**

For the purposes of this response a 'review' is considered to be a formal examination of an area of government policy undertaken by a department/agency. The response excludes internal reviews undertaken as part of the day-to-day management of programs and as part of administrative processes.

- a) Eight.
- b) Two. The Government is considering its responses to those reviews.
- c) Six.
- d) Three.
- e) This is a matter for the Government to determine.
- f) No.