

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Supplementary Budget Estimates 18-21 October 2010

Question: PM98

Asked By: Senator Abetz

Topic: Election Commitments - Pre-election

Type of Question: Written

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- a) **Were any of the government's election promises in your portfolio costed before the election was called by the department or Treasury or Finance? If so, which ones? Provide details of what work was done.**
- b) **Had your department or any agency in your portfolio provided information on any of the government's election promises in your portfolio to the Government before the election was called? Was any work done on formulating any of the Government's election commitments? If so, which ones? Provide details of what work was done.**

Answer:

- a) No.
- b) As part of its normal work, the Department provides policy advice on a range of subjects to the Prime Minister and of course continued to do so until the election was called.