

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of Finance and Deregulation

Outcome/Program: 1/1.1

Topic: Spending outside forward estimates

Senator: Ryan

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Question:

Is there a spreadsheet, a list or a place where you have a central repository of decisions that can impact on spending outside the forward estimates period? Can you take it on notice to provide that list to the committee?

Answer:

The Government prepares and publishes budget papers outlining decisions that impact on spending for the current financial year and forward estimates period. Detail on specific Government initiatives can be found in the measure tables and descriptions. Where a measure has an impact beyond the forward estimates, these impacts are tracked by relevant areas in the Budget Group and where significant, detail is usually included in the measure description. For example, in the 2012-13 Budget measures, the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio has a capital measure with financial implications outlined up to 2018-19 (page 295, Budget Paper No. 2 2012-13 refers).