

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

Question No. 104

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 17 February 2006:

Regarding the release of the new 'Thesaurus of Australian Government Subjects' (TAGS):

- a) Has ACS altered its website or any other publication, electronic or printed, as a result of the release of TAGS?
- b) Does ACS have any plans to alter its website or any other publication, electronic or printed, as a result of the release of TAGS?
- c) If so, could you provide a list of the changes that have been made to the website or any other publication, electronic or printed, as a result of the release of TAGS or – if they have not been completed – the changes that are planned, and when they are intended to be made?
- d) If not, why not?
- e) Has ACS distributed TAGS to its staff?
- f) Has ACS begun using TAGS as a guide to developing its website or any other publication, electronic or printed?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- (a) No.
- (b) Customs plans to discuss TAGS with its internet service provider and the Australian Government Information Management Office (AGIMO) to determine the feasibility of introducing TAGS across its website.
- (c) See (b) above.
- (d) See (b) above.
- (e) Staff within Customs electronic publishing team have been made aware of TAGS.
- (f) No.