

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Group 3

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Question No. 59

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 18 November 2013:

Has the Justice Minister sought a briefing on the National Partnership Agreement for Natural Disaster Reconstruction and Recovery?

1. If so,
 - a) by whom?
 - b) when?
 - c) in what format was the briefing delivered?
 - d) what follow up if any did the minister request after the briefing?
 - e) If so, please provide a copy
2. If not, why?

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

The Department briefed the Minister for Justice on the National Partnership Agreement for Natural Disaster Reconstruction and Recovery between the Commonwealth and Queensland Governments as part of the incoming government brief process.

The Department notes that the Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development, the Hon Warren Truss MP, is responsible for oversight of the Queensland reconstruction and recovery effort associated with flooding and cyclone events between November 2010 and January 2013 which is administered through the National Partnership Agreement.