



Inquiry into Financial Management and Government Procurement Legislative Compliance

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Mr Andrew Braddock MLA

Addressed to: Treasurer

In relation to: Financial Management Act 1996 and Section 8 appropriation for the ACT Executive

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MR CHRIS STEEL MLA took on notice the following question(s):

MR BRADDOCK: Thank you. I want to test an assertion made by Mr Bradbury in his submission under section 8 of the FMA, the appropriation for the ACT executive was not legal. Please, prove me wrong, but reading through my interpretation of the FMA which allows the appropriation of this type to directorates, which is defined under the FMA towards the Legislation Act which then points to the Public Sector Management Act, section 13, for the definition of the administrative units, it does not include the ACT executive. Can I just please check in terms of under what legal basis is the ACT executive appropriation?

Mr Austin: So, there is a supplementary regulation as I understand it that makes the ACT executive a directorate and we can provide that to the committee—information.

Mr Steel: So maybe we can take that one on notice.

MR BRADDOCK: Thank you.

MR CHRIS STEEL MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The ACT Executive is prescribed as a separate Directorate for the purposes of the *Financial Management Act 1996* under the *Financial Management (Directorates) Guidelines 2019 (No. 2)*
<https://legislation.act.gov.au/View/di/2019-73/current/html/2019-73.html>.

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Signature:



By the Treasurer, Chris Steel MLA

Date:

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