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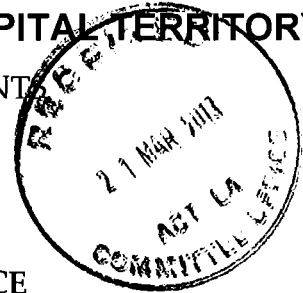
**Inquiry into 2011–12 Annual reports
Racing and Gaming portfolio**

Responses to questions taken on notice at public hearing of 7 March 2013



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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
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<http://www.hansard.act.gov.au/hansard/2013/comms/public03.pdf>

In relation to : Additional revenue for the ACT racing industry.

MR SMYTH: I am not sure whether we ask you this, but under the ACT gaming and racing commission in the Economic Development Directorate report on page 175 it talks about the final report of the ICRC's investigation into the ACT racing industry and the discount rate that you are going to use. The ICRC recommended one per cent and you have gone at half a per cent. What is the additional revenue for the industry there as a consequence of that?

Ms Burch: What page was that?

MR SMYTH: Page 175 in EDD.

Ms Gilding: This is probably more linked to a Treasury question in terms of our finance area. But in terms of those recommendations, you are right: the ICRC recommended the CPI minus one per cent from 2013-14, and the government agreed, with modifications, that the rate would be CPI minus 0.5 per cent from 2014-15. That is approximately—

MR SMYTH: So I ask the Treasurer?

Ms Burch: I am happy to take on notice what our budget line is across the disciplines. There was certainly an agreement to move and confirm them into budget line funding—the built-in efficiency, for want of a better word, into here. We certainly have gone through that, and it is something that I talk of when I meet them regularly. It is in the budget line, but we will get it to you. They have made internal decisions, and I think it was part of the ICRC, too, around the split of the funding as well.

Ms Gilding: The 75 and the 12.5 and the 12.5.

Ms Burch: Yes.

Ms Gilding: On page 92, I think we actually have the receipt figure there, if that is what you are looking for in terms of 7.586. But I will confirm that that is the answer to your question.

Ms Burch: Yes; we can put that through.

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MINISTER FOR RACING AND GAMING: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The ICRC's investigation into the ACT racing industry (Final report, Report 2 of 2011, April 2011), recommended that after the current funding arrangements expire, the Government should continue to provide budgetary funding, inflated yearly at CPI minus 1 per cent, at the 2013-14 Budget level.

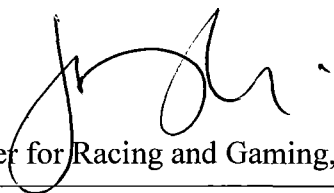
The Government in its response to the recommendation, considered the model of budget funding suggested by the ICRC as appropriate however, the indexation should be set at CPI minus 0.5 per cent from 2014-15.

On the basis that the new funding formula of CPI minus 0.5 per cent would commence from 2014-15, the funding estimate for that year is \$8.003 million.

If the recommendations of the ICRC were adopted, that is CPI minus 1 percent, the funding estimate for the 2014-15 year would be \$7.964 million.

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In relation to : Greenhouse emissions.

DR BOURKE: Minister, isn't this greenhouse emissions figure related to a change in your energy supply or the type of energy supply that you have been using—the move from green power to something else?

Ms Burch: We will have to have a look. If we can provide any detail, we will bring it back to the committee.

MINISTER FOR RACING AND GAMING : The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The greenhouse emissions figure is influenced by the percentage of renewable energy used within the Canberra Nara Centre of which the Commission occupies approximately 7 per cent. The 2010-11 figures used for comparative purposes in the Commission's 2011-12 annual report have subsequently been revised based on information supplied by Chief Minister and Treasury Directorate. Based on the revised information, the greenhouse emissions for the building, and consequently for the Commission, decreased in 2011-12 as identified in the below table:

Greenhouse Emissions	2010-11	2011-12	% change
▪ Total office greenhouse emissions - direct & indirect (tonnes of CO ₂ e)	▪ 28.43	▪ 26.48	▪ (6.85)
▪ Total office greenhouse emissions per FTE (tonnes of CO ₂ e/FTE)	▪ 0.98	▪ 0.90	▪ (8.16)
▪ Total office greenhouse emissions per square metre (tonnes of CO ₂ e/m ²)	▪ 0.05	▪ 0.05	▪ 0

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