



STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMY AND GENDER AND ECONOMIC EQUALITY  
Ms Leanne Castley (Chair), Ms Suzanne Orr (Deputy Chair), Mr Johnathan Davis MLA

**Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22**  
**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**  
**Friday, 22 October 2021**

Asked by LEANNE CASTLEY MLA on 22 OCTOBER 2021: CHRIS STEEL MLA took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

The Chair: [...] I will kick off with one: output 7.2, Auditor-General's report No 7 of 2021 on ACT government procurement. The recent Auditor-General's report into procurement exemptions found that 770 ACT government procurements valued at 395 million did not go to open tender over the past three years. This means that approximately 130 million of taxpayer dollars is being spent without going to tender—around 20 per cent. It is concerning because it makes me wonder how many small Canberra businesses are being locked out of government spending. Minister, are you able to tell me the top 20 vendors, by value of their total receipts, from these procurements?

Mr Steel: We can certainly take that on notice...

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

This information has been provided as part of the answer to QON 9.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Economy Gender and Economic Equality

Signature:

Date: 5/11/21

By the Special Minister of State, Chris Steel MLA