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# **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**Main Committee**

**APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 2009-2010**

**Consideration in Detail**

**SPEECH**

**Thursday, 18 June 2009**

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**Speaker** Smith, Anthony, MP

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**Mr ANTHONY SMITH** (Casey) (10.49 am)—Can I perhaps try and get to the obvious point in a different way. Can the minister confirm that, firstly, with respect to budget decisions, the government talks about what a behavioural effect will be? Can he acknowledge that that is the case? Secondly, can he tell the House, as the then responsible minister and now as the Minister representing the Treasurer, whether when he agreed to the decision he anticipated any share schemes being suspended on budget night?