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DUTIES ACT — EXEMPT FAMILY FARM TRANSACTIONS

505. Hon JIM CHOWN to the minister representing the Minister for Finance:

Shortly prior to 20 February 2017, a review was conducted into the exempt family farm transaction provisions, under the Duties Act 2008, specifically relating to intergenerational farmland stamp duty, when a family trust is used to operate a farm business. That review's recommendations were endorsed by the previous government and have since been approved by the current government.

- (1) What is the name of that review?
- (2) Is that review publicly available?
- (3) If no to (2), why not?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) The report is titled "Duties Act 2008—Report on the Farming Exemption".
- (2) No.
- (3) Under both the former and current governments, the report formed the basis of a cabinet submission seeking approval to make legislative amendments and it is therefore cabinet-in-confidence.