

Tobacco - Unregulated Products

Mr BEHRAKIS question to MINISTER for HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH and WELLBEING

Recently I have been contacted by a local business owner who is worried about tobacco shops selling unregulated or black-market tobacco products. The regulation of tobacco is a matter for the Department of Health, and this business owner is concerned that their oversight is not strong enough. The individual I spoke to has conveyed a genuine concern about the potential consequences of this issue growing. Is this an issue your department is aware of, and can you provide more information on the department's tobacco control arrangements already in place?