



Australian Government
Department of Social Services

Senator Jane Rice
Chair
Senate Standing Committees on Community Affairs
Senate
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator

Correction of evidence in the Purpose, intent and adequacy of the Disability Support Pension Hearing 16 November 2021.

I am writing to correct evidence provided to the Committee during its examination of the Social Services Portfolio in relation to the Disability Support Pension and Commonwealth Rent Assistance.

In answering your question regarding the number of Disability Support Pension recipients who are receiving Commonwealth Rent Assistance (CRA), I said:

“But, in the hierarchy, age pensioner comes before DSP recipient. Therefore, that income unit would be placed into the age pension list of CRA income unit recipients, if that makes sense.”

I would like to correct the statement by changing it to:

“In the reporting hierarchy, Disability Support Pension recipients come first. Therefore, that income unit would be placed into the Disability Support Pension list of CRA income unit recipients.”

Yours sincerely

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