Senator Wendy Askew Chair Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee Senate Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator

Clarification of an answer provided at the Budget Estimates Hearing of 1 April 2022.

I am writing to clarify an answer provided to the Committee during its examination of the Department of Social Services in relation to Outcome 1 Social Security.

In answering a question from Senator Janet Rice on 1 April 2022 regarding the number of submissions made to the review of the Disability Support Pension Impairment Tables, I said:

"...and there are 120-odd off the top of my head."

To clarify, the department received a total of 80 submissions to the Impairment Tables Review.

Yours sincerely

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