



Australian Government
Department of Social Services

Senator Marielle Smith
Chair
Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Senate
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator

**Correction of evidence in the Estimates Official Committee Hansard of 4 June
2024**

I am writing to correct evidence Mr Flavel, Deputy Secretary, Social Security, provided to the Committee during its examination of the Social Services Portfolio in relation to Outcome 1.

In answering a question from Senator Kovacic regarding the rate of the Age Pension, Mr Flavel said:

“For a single it's \$1,160.30 a fortnight and for a member of a couple it's \$841.40.”

However, the single rate quoted above is incorrect and should be the following:

“For a single it's \$1,116.30 a fortnight and for a member of a couple it's \$841.40.”

Yours sincerely

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