

Joint Committee on Human Rights

Public Hearing – 5 July 2024

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Social Services

Topic: Family Responsibilities Commission Model

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Question asked by: Lidia Thorpe

Type of Question: Written. **Hansard Page/s:** N/A

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Question:

18. Can you please clarify whether DSS supports the end of all forms of compulsory income management, including the Family Responsibility Commission model which fundamentally facilitates non-voluntary or “conditional” income management, which at its core gives the commissioner power to manage income without the users consent i.e., compulsory income management?

Answer:

Please refer to the response provided to SQ24-000580.