

Joint Committee on Human Rights

Public Hearing – 5 July 2024

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Social Services

Topic: Human Rights and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP)

Question reference number: IQ24-000068

Question asked by: Lidia Thorpe

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Question:

10. Please advise how income management in any form is compatible with human rights, including the rights and freedoms laid out in the UNDRIP? Please be specific around how concepts of economic self-determination and free prior and informed consent are being met?

Answer:

Please refer to IQ24-000067 for information on human rights, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Income Management programs.

The Department of Social Services is consulting with communities and stakeholders on the Government's commitment to make Income Management voluntary. Please refer to DSS SQ24-000584 for more information on consultation activity underway.