Joint Committee on Human Rights

Public Hearing – 5 July 2024

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Social Services

Topic: Family Responsibilities Commission Model

Question reference number: IQ24-000074

Question asked by: Lidia Thorpe

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

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Question:

16. The department during Friday's evidence, said fundamentally, people wanted to have the choice around whether or not they were part of these schemes. Does the department then commit to rejecting any scheme that imposes non-voluntary income management and undermines people's choice, self-determination, and their free, prior and informed consent?

Answer:

Please refer to the response provided to SQ24-000580.