National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Getting the NDIS Back on Track No. 1) Bill 2024 [Provisions] Inquiry Name

Public Hearing – 14 June 2024

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Social Services

Topic: National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Getting the NDIS Back on Track

No. 1) Bill 2024 [Provisions]

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Question asked by: Jordon Steele-John

Type of Question: Spoken.

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Question:

Senator STEELE-JOHN: On what date did the minister communicate to the Department that there would not be an exposure draft for this legislation?

DSS: We would have to take that on notice, senator.

Senator STEELE-JOHN: On what date did the Department begin drafting the bill?

DSS: Again, I think we would have to take that on notice to be precise.

On what date did the Department hold consultations with disability representative organisations or individuals from disability representative organisations in relation to the NDIS bill? I think we need to take notice with Senator Reynolds around who was involved so we can provide information as part of that response.

Senator STEELE-JOHN: And on what date we are given those drafting instructions?

DSS: I would have to take that on notice, senator.

Answer:

There was no specific communication from the Minister regarding an exposure draft of the bill.

Drafting instructions were sent to the Office of Parliamentary Council on 1 December 2023.

The first full draft of the Bill was received in late February 2024.

Targeted stakeholder consultations occurred on 24 January, 28 February and 14 March 2024. Information about stakeholders who were invited to participate in targeted consultation is outlined in IQ24-000052.