

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee
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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE
National Disability Insurance Agency

Topic: Ministerial Letter - Cost of Legislative Delay

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Question:

Senator KOVACIC: Yes, if you could. It's around what modelling you were asked to consider or what modelling or what assumptions you did consider. That leads to that question that was asked by Senator Steele-John around when you were asked to run these numbers and what was involved. So I may just frame my question a little differently. How much time, roughly, did you have to respond and provide that letter? Was it roughly a day? Was it roughly two days or a week? Was there anything specific that was asked of you in relation to the modelling or the information in the letter?

Ms Falkingham: I think Mr Gifford has gone through this already. He's said that he'll take on notice the date, and we can take—

Senator KOVACIC: That's fine. I get that and I heard that. I just want a rough idea: was it a day, a few days, a week? I want a rough timeframe—I'm not going to hold anyone to it—just so I have an idea in my mind of roughly how much time was given.

Mr Gifford: I believe that between the initial request and the provision of the letter it was several days at least. Again, I'll just have to take the precise—

Senator KOVACIC: I'm happy with that little bit. If you can, provide it on notice, but I am satisfied with that.

Answer:

Please refer to NDIA IQ24-000044.