Joint Committee on Human Rights

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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Social Services

Topic: Income management

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Question asked by: Lidia Thorpe

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Question:

15. There is currently an Inquiry into the compulsory income management and its alignment with international standards of human rights pursuant to schedule 5, Social Security (Administration) Amendment (Income Management Reform) Act 2023 (Cth). Given the prohibitive nature of involvement in such parliamentary processes, can you outline what next steps are being actively taken to consult communities affected?

Answer:

Please refer to the response provided to SQ24-000585.