

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 25 OCTOBER 2017 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Social Services

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Senator: Louise Pratt

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Question:

Do you have an updated figure to June 2021 of the number of people that will have been made worse off by the policy of axing the Energy Supplement?

Answer:

The Department estimates that 2.063 million recipients of income support payments administered by the Social Services Portfolio will be affected by the closure of the Energy Supplement to 2020-21.