Senate Committee: Community Affairs Committee

QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Question Subject: Completion date into review of Child Dental Benefits Schedule

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Senator: Jordon Steele-John

Question:

Senator STEELE-JOHN:Please do. Thank you. Mr Cotterell, you mentioned that the government has undertaken a review in relation to the provision of dental care to disabled children.

Mr Cotterell:It's the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, which provides benefits to all family tax benefit eligible children.

Senator STEELE-JOHN: You're reviewing it particularly in the context of disabled children?

Mr Cotterell: That's one aspect of the review.

Senator STEELE-JOHN: Remind me of the completion date of the review.

Mr Cotterell: It's early this year. I'll have to come back on notice with the exact date.

Answer:

The Report of the Fifth Review of the *Dental Benefits Act 2008* is in its final stages of completion and will be sent to the Minister for Health and Aged Care, the Hon Mark Butler MP, for tabling in the Parliament by mid-2023.