## Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

## 2011-12 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 5 Question No: 167

**Topic:** Better Start for Children with Disability

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## Senator Fifield asked:

What mechanism is in place for families to provide feedback to the Department regarding the operation of the Initiative?

What complaints has the Department received in relation to the Initiative?

## **Answer:**

Families can provide feedback directly to the Better Start inbox, or via the Better Start helpline. They can also provide feedback to their providers or to the Registration and Information Service.

From 1 July 2011 to 31 January 2012, the Department received 106 complaints about Better Start.