## Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO 2012-13 Additional Estimates Hearings

## **Outcome Number:** 2

**Question No:** 87

Topic: New Housing Minister and Parliamentary Secretary

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## Senator Payne asked:

Can you provide a breakdown of the individual responsibilities of the new Minister for Housing and the Parliamentary Secretary?

## Answer:

The main FaHCSIA portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Housing and Homelessness, the Hon Mark Butler MP are:

- Housing and Homelessness policy and legislation
- Cabinet matters on issues relating to Housing and Homelessness
- Housing Affordability
- National Rental Affordability Scheme
- National Housing Strategy
- Housing Reform
- Commonwealth State Relations on Housing and Homelessness matters
- Council of Australian Governments Housing and Homelessness issues
- Homelessness Awards (with Parliamentary Secretary Parke)
- Prime Minister's Council on Homelessness

The main FaHCSIA portfolio responsibilities of the Parliamentary Secretary for Homelessness and Social Housing, the Hon Melissa Parke MP are:

- Housing and homelessness program management and administration
- Social Housing program management and administration
- Advice on housing and homelessness research
- Building Better Regional Cities administration
- Housing Affordability Fund
- Household Organisational Management Expenses (HOME) Advice Program
- National Rental Affordability Scheme administration
- National Homelessness Strategy
- Reconnect (ongoing management)
- Homelessness Awards (with Minister Butler)