Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO 2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programs

Question No: 145

Topic: Contractors

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Senator Moore asked:

Please provide details of the nature of the services being provided by Ernst and Young to the Department under the terms of contract number CN1996132, DSS contract reference number 90003511.

Answer:

The Department has commissioned Ernst and Young to work with program areas to review the readiness for Commonwealth Programs into the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). The Statement of Requirement provided to Ernst and Young, is as follows:

The purpose of the consultancy is for an independent expert to work directly with Commonwealth program areas to review the readiness of programs to transition to the NDIS. The Consultancy will consider constraints and barriers to transition, identify risks and develop strategies to ensure transition occurs as scheduled. It will also assess whether any programs could be transitioned into the scheme ahead of schedule.