

**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:** 168

**Topic:** Freedom of Information

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Ludwig** asked:

Does the department consult or inform other departments or agencies when or before it makes a decision on a Freedom of Information request.

- a. If so, which departments or agencies?
- b. If so, when?
- c. If so, how does this occur?

**Answer:**

The Department consults with other departments or agencies in accordance with the provisions of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*.