

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: 190

Topic: Freedom of Information

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Senator Ludwig asked:

Does the department have a separate email address or inbox for receiving and responding to FOI requests?

- a. If so, list each email account.
- b. List the officers who can access and reply from those separate accounts, broken down by staffing classification level.

Answer:

The Department has a separate email address and inbox to receive and respond to Freedom of Information requests.

- a. The email account to receive requests and correspond with applicants is foi@dss.gov.au.
- b. The account is accessible to:
 - a. one full time EL2 level;
 - b. one full time Legal Officer at APS6 level;
 - c. one full time APS6 Officer;
 - d. two full time APS5 Officers; and
 - e. one part time APS 5 Departmental Officer.