

**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:** 197

**Topic:** SSAT

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Siewert** asked:

What is the process to ensure that there are enough Social Security Appeals Tribunal members to meet the needs of Centrelink clients?

**Answer:**

The number of applications for review of decisions (which are reviewable by the SSAT) and the SSAT's performance against its service standards is monitored by the SSAT, and the portfolio department is advised if there are insufficient members to meet the workload.