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: 200

Topic: SSAT

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Senator Moore asked:

Please provide the percentage and number of rejected appeals by payment type and by state in the year 2013/2014.

Answer:

The SSAT does not "reject" any applications for review of a decision if the SSAT has jurisdiction. If a decision made under the social security law (or the family assistance law or the paid parental leave legislation) has not been reviewed by the Secretary or by an authorised review officer, the SSAT does not have jurisdiction.

The SSAT publishes data on the number of reviewable decisions which it affirms in the appendices to its Annual Report.