Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 686

Topic: Income Management - young people in remote communities

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Senator Siewert asked:

- a) What support services are available to young people in remote communities income managed under the changes to the Vulnerable Welfare Payment Recipient Measure, by community?
- b) Will these services be increased once the changes begin?

Answer:

- a) Remote communities in the Northern Territory, Western Australia and the Anangu Pitjantjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands are serviced by Financial Management Program services which include Money Management services and Financial Counselling, including via the Financial Counselling hotline.
- b) As there are relatively low numbers of young people on the vulnerable measure in remote locations, the existing Financial Management Program services had the capacity to provide support.