Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES – 26 FEBRUARY 2015 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Disability Support Pension – Claim procedures

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Senator: Cameron

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Question:

- a) DHS has abolished the Treating Doctor Report for certain new DSP claimants and replaced it with a medical checklist. What data will DHS collect to monitor the impact of this measure?
- b) DHS has introduced Government Contracted Doctors review of DSP claims where a Job Capacity Assessor has recommended that the person is medically qualified for DSP. What data will DHS collect to monitor the impact of this measure? What will this measure cost to implement?

Answer:

- a) This question should be referred to the Department of Social Services as they have policy responsibility for this measure.
- b) The department is responsible for the delivery of this measure. Questions about the impact of this measure should be referred to the Department of Social Services as they have policy responsibility for this measure.
 - In order to protect the integrity of the current tender process the expenditure for this measure is not available for publication.