

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 3 - Access to Medical and Dental Services

Topic: GP Tax

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Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

Has Minister Nash consulted with the Rural Doctors Association in the states? I am specifically talking about the GP tax and how it will affect rural and regional health.

Answer:

On 3 March 2015, the Minister for Health and Minister for Sport, the Hon Sussan Ley MP, announced the Government would not be proceeding with \$5 reduction to GP Medicare rebates and the optional co-payment.