Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2014-15 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 2.4 Support for Child Care System Question No: SQ15-000147

Topic: Child Care

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Senator Lines, Sue asked:

Under the new model proposed by the Productivity Commission, will all children with inclusion needs – including children with disability – be better off than under the current model?

Will their families have higher or lower out of pocket costs?

The Productivity Commission recommends the Inclusion support subsidy meets the cost of a Cert III qualified aide, what level of additional investment over the forwards would be needed in order to achieve this?

Answer:

The potential impacts of the Productivity Commission's recommendations on individual families would vary depending on each family's circumstances. The Government is currently considering the Productivity Commission's recommendations, and at this stage is not ruling in or ruling out any recommendations.