

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES – 11 FEBRUARY 2016 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Kingston Service Centre closure - savings

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Senator: Moore

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Question:

Senator MOORE: Are there any savings expected to the department through the relocation of this centre?

Ms Campbell: There are minor savings in relation to the rent and that is to contribute to the efficiency dividend from August 2013.

Senator MOORE: On notice, can we get some idea about how much that is in terms of the process?

Ms Campbell: We can.

Answer:

On 19 February 2016, the Minister for Human Services announced that the relocation of services from Kingston Service Centre to Hobart would not proceed as planned. Rather, services will be delivered from the Service Tasmania shopfront at Shop 87a, 27 Channel Highway, Kingston.

It is anticipated that there will be savings from this shared premises arrangement, however details for the operation of the shared premises are yet to be finalised.