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Senator Carol Brown asked:

When did you commence work on the redesign?

Answer:

Following the High Court decision in the *Williams v Commonwealth of Australia* [2014] *HCA 23* in June 2014, the Department has been monitoring constitutional developments and is taking a considered approach about the way we move forward. The Department will continue to adjust programmes where it is prudent to do so, with regards to general developments in the law and the Government's policy objectives.