

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Topic: National Rental Affordability Scheme

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Senator Ludlam asked:

How much money have residents saved from sustainability initiatives and energy efficiency within the NRAS build?

Answer:

The department does not collect information from National Rental Affordability Scheme tenancies to calculate money saved by residents as a result of sustainability and energy efficiency features in National Rental Affordability Scheme dwellings. The department cannot compel tenants to attempt to calculate and provide this information.

Applications for National Rental Affordability Scheme incentives are assessed against criteria which include the degree to which a proposal maximises affordable housing outcomes for tenants, including building and design features that may reduce the overall costs to tenants, and deliver sustainability outcomes.