

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Social Services Portfolio
2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 4

Question No: 17

Topic: Housing

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Bishop asked:

Does the Department agree that the best outcome would that:

- a) NRAS incentives which are being implemented are left with the successful applicants to be fulfilled on the understanding that it was expected that every reasonable effort would be made to implement the credits; and
- b) NRAS incentives allocated but which are sitting with the successful applicants unused and not subject to any arrangement related to the construction of affordable or any other type of housing, should be available to other applicants with a proven track record.

Answer:

This question is seeking an opinion from the Department. It is not our place to express opinions on what the better approach to policy might be.