

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

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**Question No: 51**

**Topic: McClure Review**

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**Senator Brown** asked:

How many consultations were undertaken by Mr McClure prior to delivering the interim report to the Department and/or the Minister?

- a) When will the interim report be made public?
- b) What will be the process once that report is released?
- c) Will further consultations be held?
- d) Will public submissions be sought?
- e) What is the planned date for the release of the final report?

**Answer:**

The first part of the QoN was answered at the hearing on 4 June 2014 - please see Hansard page CA66.

- a) The Interim Report, *A New System for Better Employment and Social Outcomes*, was publicly released on 29 June 2014.
- b) There will be a process of public and stakeholder consultation and engagement on the Interim Report, including a call for public submissions and comments and stakeholder roundtables.
- c) Yes.
- d) Yes
- e) A Final Report is due to be completed by the Reference Group on Welfare Reform later this year. A decision on release of the Final Report is a matter for the Government.