Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 95

Topic: Family Payment Reform - Maintain Family Tax Benefit Payment Rates for two

years

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Senator Brown asked:

Was this particular Budget measure proposed and/or designed by the Department of Social Services?

a. If not, who proposed and designed this measure, and

b. Did the Department of Social Services provide comment on it before it was published in the Budget? If so, please provide this work to the Committee.

Answer:

The Department is unable to provide answers to these questions as they involve the deliberations of Government as part of the Budget process.