Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Senator McLucas asked:

All of the questions on notice that I asked/submitted in the housing and homelessness space at the previous round of estimates were answered after the deadline. On what date did each of them go to the minister's office? Mr Palmer indicated he would take this question on notice - refer p30 of 5/6/14 estimates transcript.

Answer:

The Department of Social Services received 679 Questions on Notice through the February 2014 Additional Estimates process. This is significantly higher than previous Estimates hearings, and has impacted on timeliness.