

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

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**Question No: 254**

**Topic: Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission**

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**Senator Moore asked:**

How does the National Centre of Excellence, in the view of the Department, replace the ACNC as is claimed? What function/s will it have?

**Answer:**

The Civil Society National Centre for Excellence (NCE) will not be a replacement for the regulatory functions of the Australian Charities and Not-for Profit Commission (ACNC).

The NCE will help build the capacity of civil society organisations by, for example, supporting collaboration, innovation, education, research, training and advocacy, and working to reduce reporting requirements and red tape.