

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Question No: 649

Topic: Paid Parental Leave

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Senator Brown asked:

Can the Department explain why the Paid Parental Leave Scheme was not included as a line item in the budget?

Answer:

The Government announcement was that provision for the Paid Parental Leave scheme has been made in the Contingency Reserve, and that the final costs of the new scheme will be determined once negotiations with State and Territory governments have been finalised and detailed policy and implementation arrangements have been agreed by Government.