

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

Outcome Number: 1

Question No: 726

Topic: Increasing the Age Pension Qualifying Age to 70

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Senator Brown asked:

Do you accept that the average Aboriginal male in this country will never qualify for the age pension? Do you think that is acceptable?

Answer:

The Senate has resolved that officers of a department of the Commonwealth shall not be asked to give opinions on matters of policy. This includes any questions asking for opinions on matters of policy.