# Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

# **Social Services Portfolio**

# 2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 819

**Topic: Act of Grace Payments** 

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# **Senator Brown** asked:

Can you provide a list of all Act of Grace Payments in the last 12 months?

# **Answer:**

Due to the way Act of Grace payments are administered, the department is unable to provide a list of payments. However, for the period 1 May 2013 to 30 April 2014 there were 23 recipients of Act of Grace payments made in lieu of Department of Human Services' payments at a total cost of \$157,204.03.