Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome

Question No: 845

Topic: FOI Requests

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Senator Ludwig asked:

Since September 7, 2013:

- 1. How many requests for documents under the FOI Act have been received?
- 2. Of these, how many documents have been determined to be deliberative documents?
- 3. Of those assessed as deliberative documents:
 - a. For how many has access to the document been refused on the basis that it would be contrary to the public interest?
 - b. For how many has a redacted document been provided?

Answer:

There have been 164 FOI requests received by the Portfolio between 7 September 2013 and 30 June 2014 inclusive.

Question 2 and 3 cannot be answered without unreasonable diversion of resources.