## Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

## 2017-18 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1.1 Family Tax Benefit Question No: SQ17-000327

**Topic: FTB** 

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## **Senator Louise Pratt** asked:

What is the average income of families and, if you do not have any average, what can you characterise that cut-off point as, for those who lose FTB A as a result of this change?

## **Answer:**

The *Social Services Legislation Amendment Act 2017* maintains Family Tax Benefit payment rates for two years at their current levels from 1 July 2017.

No families will lose access to Family Tax Benefit Part A as a result of this measure, unless their income increases beyond their payment cut-out.