

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2017-18 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1.6 Income Support for Seniors

Question No: SQ17-000347

Topic: Pension Eligibility

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Senator Louise Pratt asked:

Has the Department had a look at whether these are real savings because in the future people may decide to not go overseas and therefore may claim some other income support to ensure they have continuous residence?

Answer:

When analysing the impact of this measure the Department considered the potential for uptake of other payments where people may be delayed eligibility to an Age Pension and Disability Support Pension.