

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
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Question No: 290

Topic: Indigenous Land Corporation – legislative amendments

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Senator Scullion asked:

There is some legislation which basically says that we are going to change the responsibilities and the role of the Indigenous Land Council. Can you provide an explanation of why and what it is about?

Answer:

The Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2010, introduced into the House of Representatives on 20 October 2010, originally contained a schedule to amend the *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Act 2005* to include a power for the Minister to make guidelines that the Indigenous Land Corporation would be required to have regard to when it performs its functions to support native title settlements. The purpose of this is to facilitate native title settlements. The schedule has been referred for consideration by the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee.