Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO 2013-14 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 5

Question No: 201

Topic: Outsourcing NDIS Services and NSW Enabling Bill

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Senator Siewert asked:

Since the new Government was elected, has the NDIA met with NSW State Minister or the department regarding the NSW Government's new law (the NDIS NSW Enabling Bill 2013) that went through the NSW Parliament 23 October, which appears to indicate a privatisation of the workforce, responsible for delivering disability services?

Answer:

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) has not met with any New South Wales (NSW) Government Ministers regarding the National Disability Insurance Scheme NSW Enabling Bill 2013. The NDIA has not met with any NSW Government officials specifically regarding this legislation. The NDIA and the Department of Social Services do however meet frequently with NSW Government officials regarding the Hunter trial site and NSW disability policy issues more generally.