

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

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programs

Question No: 286

Topic: Grants

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Moore asked:

In each case, how are the department's discretionary grants programs administered?

- Who is the decision maker in each case? The Minister or the Department?
- Are all decisions based on the advice of the department?
- Are there any exceptions? If so, what are those exceptions?

Answer:

Grant spending approvals are authorised by the Minister or the Secretary of the Department (or his delegates) in accordance with the *Financial Management and Accountability Regulations 1997*.