Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 5 - Primary Health Care

Topic: National Mental Health Commission

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Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

Senator McLUCAS: The final commissioner, Nicole Gibson, was appointed when?

Mr Butt: In September.

Senator McLUCAS: Why did that take so long? I probably should not ask you the question.

Mr Butt: No.

Senator McLUCAS: Why did that take so long?

Mr Bowles: I am afraid I cannot answer that question.

Senator McLUCAS: Please do take it on notice.

Mr Bowles: Yes.

Answer:

There is no set number of Commissioners required to be appointed to the Commission and therefore timeframes for appointment are not relevant.