Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

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Department of Human Services

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Question:

Please detail the specific customers' rights in the Service Charter?

Answer:

As part of the Department of Human Services' Service Commitments, customers have the right to:

- be treated with respect and have their individual circumstances considered;
- receive quality information from the Department, including the options available to them when they disagree with a decision;
- ensure staff are open and honest, and protecting the privacy and personal information of customers; and
- efficient services that allows them to manage their own business with the Department.