Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2015-16 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1.9 Income Support for Carers Question No: SQ15-000942

Topic: Grandparent carers

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Senator Smith, Dean asked:

With regard to grandparent carers and the changes announced on 21 October to FTB, over the forward estimates what would the costs be if:

- 1. The age were raised from 13 to 14?
- 2. The age were raised from 13 to 15?
- 3. The age were raised from 13 to 16?
- 4. The age were raised from 13 to 17?

Answer:

The financial impacts of this measure were costed as part of the Budget process using the age parameters required for the measure. To answer this question would require a significant diversion of resources.