Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

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Question: Add 29

Topic: Child-Care Rebate – Workforce Participation

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Senator Sherry asked:

When you did the costing, did the unit also look at increased work force participation of Australian parents?

Answer:

The child care tax offset is tied to the use of approved child care and assessment for child care benefit. Growth in these were considered for the costing, rather than growth in the labour force participation of parents.