

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood Education and Child Care

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special childcare benefit—the in-home care program.

Senator BACK: Is that the number of applications received or is that the number—
Ms Taylor: That is the number approved. Senator BACK: And can you tell me how
many would have been rejected in that quarter, let's say? Ms Taylor: That would be
a matter for the Department of Human Services, but I am happy to take it on notice.

Answer

The Department of Human Services has provided the following response:

For the January- March 2011 quarter period, 154 claims for child at risk for serious
abuse or neglect were rejected and 175 claims for temporary financial hardship
reasons were rejected. This information is not disaggregated by child care service
type.