Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio Department of Finance and Administration

Additional Budget Estimates Hearing – February 2007

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Topic: Estimates in Actuarial Reports of same-sex couples in the Commonwealth Superannuation Scheme (CSS) and the Public Sector Superannuation Scheme (PSS)

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Senator Sherry asked:

In dealing with interdependent couples in the aggregate—that is the latest report that you have received. Did the earlier report disaggregate between same-sex couples as a group within interdependent relationships?

Answer:

The earlier actuarial advice in relation to interdependency relationships in the context of the CSS and Public PSS only dealt with interdependent couples in aggregate – it did not separately identify same-sex couples as a group.