

Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Human Services Portfolio

Department of Human Services

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Question: HS148

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Topic: Centrelink – Income Management

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SENATOR COONAN asked on 22/02/2008:

Has Centrelink investigated claims by the NT member for Braiiling that up to 30 people have had their payments wrongfully quarantined?

Answer:

Yes, as outlined in related response HS147, a small number of customers were incorrectly subjected to Income Management as part of the implementation in the Alice Springs Town Camps. These errors were rectified as soon as they were discovered and customers' monies made available to them.