

Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Human Services Portfolio

Department of Human Services

Budget Estimates 2007-08 - May 2007

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Outcome 1, Output 1

Topic: Department of Human Services – Number of Access Card Staff External

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SENATOR LUNDY asked on 24/05/2007:

Senator LUNDY—How many do you estimate, as far as bodies go—humans?

Ms Hartland—In terms of the access card space, it varies depending on the tasks and the times, so we have to make some estimates about the actual places that we need. I might come back to that after digging out the figures.

Answer:

The Government has decided not to proceed with the Access Card Program. Details of funding to be returned to the Budget will be provided as part of the forthcoming Budgetary processes. At the time of closing the program, the number of people employed in the access card area of the Department of Human Services was 139. This number included 20 external staff and does not include contractors.