

Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES – 29 MAY 2008

Human Services Portfolio



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Senator: Coonan
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Question:

HS8: Senator COONAN—How will the new encrypted electronic file system work?

Answer:

HS8: Centrelink uses an encrypted channel to transfer files between third party organisations and Centrelink systems. In the case of the financial institution verification system, which currently exchanges files between Centrelink and the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, we use the trading expert platform.

It has not yet been determined if this same platform will be used for the future expansion initiative.

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