Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

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Human Services Portfolio

Topic: Medicare Australia - Appropriation

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Question:

a) What is the Medicare budgeted total appropriation in 2010-2011?

b) What was the Medicare total appropriation in 2006-2007?

Answer:

- a) Total appropriation funding for Medicare Australia in 2010–11 is budgeted to be \$619.1 million. For comparative purposes it should be noted that this figure excludes depreciation funding of \$46.8 million, reflecting the change to net cash appropriations from 2010–11 under Operation Sunlight.
- b) Medicare Australia's appropriation in 2006–07 was \$554.4 million.