

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** Siewert

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**Question:**

**Senator SIEWERT:** That is what I understand. I am not disputing that. What I am saying is that there are bound to be organisations that do not think they have got enough. I suspect there will not be many that say, 'You've given me too much.' But there could well be organisations that dispute how much they are being offered. My question is: how are you going to deal with that?

**Mr Saunders:** I cannot answer that in detail but I imagine we will deal with it or the relevant departments like FaHCSIA and Health will deal with it as it comes. They will listen to what the relevant providers have to say and see whether there is a case to be made.

**Senator Wong:** We will come back to you if there is anything more we can say.

**Senator SIEWERT:** That would be appreciated.

**Senator Wong:** I think 1 December.

**Mr Saunders:** Yes.

**Senator Wong:** So we have still got a bit of time, obviously.

**Senator SIEWERT:** I appreciate that. If you could take it on notice that would be great.

**Senator Wong:** Sure. We are happy to.

**Answer:**

The process for setting, and implementing, the level of supplementation is currently under consideration by Government. This process will be finalised after Fair Work Australia makes the Equal Remuneration Order.