

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Senator:** Senator Fifield

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**Question:**

Senator FIFIELD: Is it the intention of the government to consult with the opposition on the appointment of board members of the NDIS, given the broad cross party support for the NDIS and given that there are less than 100 days before the real campaign starts and the formal caretaker provisions kick in? Is the government minded to consult on these appointments?

Ms Cross: I do not know that answer to that. I would point out that with the members of the board we are really in the hands of the states and territories in terms of who they put forward. I can take that on notice, if that would be helpful.

**Answer:**

Appointments to the NDIS Board have now been made following the support of the Commonwealth and all States and Territories as required under section 127 of the *National Disability Insurance Scheme Act 2013* (Cth).