

Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Public Administration Portfolio

Department of Human Services and agencies

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2006-2007, 31 October 2006

Question: HS20

Outcome 1, Output 1.1

Topic: Centrelink - Disability Support Pension Claims

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SENATOR SIEWERT asked on 31/10/2006:

Do you have the figures for the number of people, who, in the last quarter have been reviewed, prior to May 2005, and do you know whether they have stayed on the pension or whether they have been moved on to Newstart?

Answer: The answer to Senator Siewert's question is in the table below:

Disability Support Pensioners whose start date was before 11/5/05 and who were reviewed between 1/7/06 and 30/9/06		
Reviews	Cancelled	Transferred to Newstart Allowance
24,190	47	22 *

* Note: This figure is a subset of the 47 cancellations reported in the preceding column.

Data source: Obtained via SAS from Centrelink Administrative Data.

To prepare this answer it has taken approximately 26 hours and 31 minutes at an estimated cost of \$1343.

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The attached proposed answer is submitted for clearance.

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