

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 October 2009  
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Human Services Portfolio**

**Topic:** Disability Support Pension (DSP) – Copy of the letter(s) sent to all DSP recipients in September

**Question reference number:** HS27

**Senator:** Boyce

**Type of question:** *Written*

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**Question:**

Can Centrelink please provide a copy of the letter(s) sent to all Disability Pension recipients in September?

**Answer:**

A package of information was sent in the one envelope to Disability Support Pension customers in September 2009. The package comprised a statement from Centrelink tailored for each customer's circumstances and an explanatory letter about the nature of the changes to the pension. This letter was co-signed by the Hon Jenny Macklin MP, Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and the Hon Chris Bowen MP, Minister for Human Services. A copy of the statement and letter is attached.