

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Asked By: Senator Fifield

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The Department of Prime Minister & Cabinet gave evidence at Supplementary Budget Estimates in October 2010 that the Social Inclusion Board provided some input in the development of the Mental Health and Disability Employment Strategy. Please advise the nature and content of that input?

Answer:

The Australian Social Inclusion Board provided advice to the Government to inform its work on disability and mental health, including the National Mental Health and Disability Employment Strategy. The advice was based on Australian Social Inclusion Board consultations with peak national bodies in the mental health and disability sector. The Australian Social Inclusion Board publicly released a summary of the consultation findings on the Social Inclusion Website, which can be found at:

<http://www.socialinclusion.gov.au/Partnerships/Board/Documents/FindingsNov08.pdf>