

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
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Question No. 51

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 24 May 2006:

In relation to the smartcard, will the work of the working group on standards need to be completed before the smartcard can be rolled out?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

In the context of the National Identity Security Strategy, the Australian Government's approach to national standards for high level enrolment processes (including known customers) and document security features, will be developed prior to the rollout of the Department of Human Services' access card in 2008. It is expected that these will be agreed nationally within that timeframe.