Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2013 - 2014, 26 February 2014

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OUTCOME: 14 - Biosecurity and Emergency Response

Topic: Medicines and Poisons Review

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas Jan

Question:

a) Is the review on the scheduling of medicines and poisons currently being undertaken?

b) What is the process of this review? How long until the review is complete?

Answer:

- a) No.
- b) The independent review of Arrangements for Scheduling Substances under Part 6-3 of the *Therapeutic Goods Act 1989* was completed in September 2013. The final report was tabled in Parliament on 10 December 2013.