Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2016-2017 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 2.8 Program Support for Outcome 2 Question No: SQ17-000192

Topic: Variations in Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements

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Senator Louise Pratt asked:

In respect of the items listed as 'movements of funds' in table 1.3 on page 24 of the 2016/17 PAES - what are the reasons for reductions and additions of funds for 2017/18?

Answer:

The net increase in 2017-18 identified in the 'movement of funds' is due to the re-profiling of the allocation of funds under the Third Action Plan of the *National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children 2010-2022*. These funds were originally allocated as \$33.333 million per annum over three years (2016-19).

As a result of a decision by the Government, the \$100 million has been re-profiled across the forward estimates and allocations have now been made to agencies directly responsible for implementing the measures. For details of other variations, please refer to SQ17-000189.

The decrease in funding for 2017-18 is mainly due to a 'movement of funds' for the Technology Trials measure under the Women's Safety Package. Funds for the Technology Trial measure were re-profiled across each year of the forward estimates to 2019-20 to better align with implementation timelines.