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

## 2016-2017 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programs Question No: SQ17-000246

**Topic: Constitutional Powers & Grants** 

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## **Senator Louise Pratt** asked:

What advice has been sought from or provided by either the Solicitor-General or the Attorney-General's Department in relation to the Commonwealth's power to make community grants since 2014?

## **Answer:**

The Department routinely seeks and receives advice from the Australian Government Solicitor for all new spending proposals. The Department is unable to reveal the content of that legal advice.