

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2016 – 2017 Additional Budget Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome:** National Disability Insurance Agency

**Question No:** NDIA SQ17-000029

**Topic:** Specialist Disability Accommodation

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Reynolds** asked:

Where an NDIS participant is the registered SDA provider for their own housing and claiming the SDA payment, how will the SDA payments affect a person's Disability Support Pension or other government payments? Is the payment taxable for income tax purposes?

**Answer:**

An individual's tax affairs and the impact of income received on government payments are a matter for the individual concerned. The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) is not able to comment or advise on obligations arising under tax law or how income may impact on government payments.

The NDIA is seeking to clarify directly with the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) if SDA payments are taxable for income tax purposes.