Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2012-2013, 30 & 31 May and 1 June 2012

Question: E12-420

OUTCOME 9: Private Health

Topic: Private Health Insurance

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Senator: Senator Fierravanti-Wells

Question:

Can you advise how many members have undertaken prepayment of premiums?

Answer:

Neither the Department of Health and Ageing or the Department of Human Services (Medicare Australia) is able to determine with certainty how many members have prepaid premiums. Only private health insurers would have a record of how many of their members have prepaid premiums.