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

2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 2.4 Support for Child Care System Question No: SQ15-000498

Topic: Community Childcare Fund

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Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah asked:

Child Care services – who are both time and resource poor and often lack the skills necessary to write successful grant applications – will now have to pursue funding through up to four different processes. How is this streamlining, reducing red-tape and/or making the system easier for services to negotiate? Can you please provide evidence of the feasibility of this policy and assessment of impact on these services?

Answer:

The design of the Community Child Care Fund (CCCF) is being developed and will focus on including a more simple streamlined application process.

The Department is also consulting on this through the Regulation Impact Statement process.