Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 5.2 National Disability Insurance Scheme Question No: SQ15-000745

Topic: My Way - Budget Paper 2 p165

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Senator McLucas asked:

From Budget Paper No. 2, could we just get a couple of paragraphs of explanation of that paragraph?

Answer:

This measure supports refinements to the transition arrangements of Commonwealth programmes in the NDIS *My Way* trial in Western Australia to better reflect the number and timing of Commonwealth clients transitioning to the NDIS *My Way* trial. This measure supports the continuation of services to clients who have yet to transition to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) *My Way* trial, at a cost of \$2.6 million in 2015-16.

This measure also includes \$1.3 million in funding, over two years from 2014-15, for the Department of Human Services to prevent double servicing of NDIS participants who are currently receiving support from Commonwealth programmes (for example, those receiving Mobility Allowance and Continence Aids) and to prevent the garnisheeing of NDIS specific funds to recover child support debts.