Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO 2010-11 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

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Topic: National disability parking permits scheme

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Senator Fifield asked:

Is there a plan as to how long after the scheme's commencement in each State and Territory that enforcement activities will begin? i.e. the issuing of fines for failing to display correct permits? Will there be a grace period to enable people to properly transition to the new scheme?

Answer:

Enforcement officers will continue to issue infringement notices for permits which are fraudulent or have expired. States and territories advise they are on schedule to complete their major mail-out of the new Australian Disability Parking Permit to existing permit holders by the end of 2010 allowing all permit holders to transition to the scheme by 31 March 2011. However, the Victorian Government is yet to confirm its arrangements.