Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-14, 20 November 2013

Question: E13-008

OUTCOME: 1 – Population Health

Topic: Sports Funding

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

- a) Can you confirm whether there is any consideration to reduce the amount available for grant allocations by the Australian Sports Commission? If, so how much and where will the cuts be made and who is likely to miss out?
- b) For example, how would sports such as, the World National Junior Gliding Championship being held in Narromine in 2015, gain funding from the Commonwealth?

Answer:

- a) The Australian Sports Commission Board makes a decision on overall grant funding from within its appropriation on an annual basis. The grant allocation was not reduced in 2013-14. Decisions for 2014-15 have not yet been made.
- b) Generally the Commonwealth does not provide funding for events such as the World Junior Gliding Championship. Funding for events is often provided by state and/or local governments where there is a direct economic benefit to a local area.