

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 1 – Population Health

Topic: TGA Regulation

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas

Question:

How is the TGA looking to reduce red tape?

Answer:

A deregulation unit has been established within the Department of Health as part of the Best Practice Regulation and Deregulation Division to promote regulatory performance across Health. The Unit will coordinate the reduction of red and green tape across the portfolio and assist line areas to efficiently implement the deregulation agenda.

The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) is working with the Best Practice Regulation and Deregulation Division to reduce red tape and implement the deregulation agenda.

The TGA is pursuing options that will remove unnecessary red tape without compromising public health and safety.