## **Senate Community Affairs Committee**

# ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

### SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

## **2016-17 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

Outcome Number: 1.1 Family Tax Benefit Question No: SQ16-000325

**Topic: Family & Students Payments Policy** 

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#### Senator Rachel Siewert asked:

How many people will no longer be eligible for the FTB-A supplement under the Omnibus Bill that recently passed the Parliament?

- a) How many children will be affected?
- b) Why was \$80,000 chosen as the limit?
- c) Has the Government modelled the impact on effective marginal tax rates and potential work disincentives?
- d) If so, please provide.
- e) If not, why not?

#### **Answer:**

For 2016-17, it is estimated that about 374,000 families are estimated to be ineligible for the FTB Part A supplement.

- a) Approximately 810,000 children are estimated to be ineligible for the FTB Part A supplement for 2016-17.
- b) The Department is unable to answer to this question as it involves the deliberations of Government.
- c) No.
- d) Not applicable.
- e) This type of modelling is beyond the scope of costing policy changes for family tax benefit.