Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2016-17 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

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Senator Louise Pratt asked:

The NOUS Process Review into the 2014-15 DSS grants process stated that funding applications totalled \$3.9 billion, while only \$800 million in funding was available. What was this figure for 2015-16?

Answer:

The NOUS process review only accounted for the bulk funding round that occurred in 2014-15 and did not take into account other grant rounds.

To determine the figures for all rounds conducted in 2015-16 would require extensive manual effort and is considered an unreasonable diversion of resources.