



Australian Government
Department of Social Services

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Senator Jonathon Duniam
Chair
Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator

**Correction of evidence to 2016-17 Supplementary Estimates Hearing on
20 October 2016**

I am writing to correct evidence and clarify an answer I provided to the Committee during its examination of the Department of Social Services in relation to Outcome One.

In answering a question from Senator Watt regarding the projected growth of the Newstart component across the forward estimates, I am quoted in the Hansard as having said that the current budget estimates for Newstart for 2016-17 is \$9.756 billion. However, that dollar amount was recorded incorrectly, the figure is actually \$9.056 billion across 2016-17.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Serena Wilson".

Serena Wilson

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