

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Question No. 1

Senator Fifield asked the following question at the hearing on 23 May 2012:

Senator FIFIELD: Of the complaints that you would receive in a year, what percentage would be in relation to transport accessibility issues? You might have to take that on notice.

Mr Innes: I would have to take that on notice and I am not sure whether we can drill down to the extent necessary to give you the answer to that question.

Senator FIFIELD: Okay.

Mr Innes: I have been advised, Senator, that we should be able to drill down to give you that information but we are not in a position to give it to you now.

Senator FIFIELD: Thank you for that.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

In the 2010-11 reporting year, the Commission received 62 complaints under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* (Cth) (DDA) relating to transport accessibility issues. This equates to 7% of all complaints received under the DDA and 3% of total complaints received under all federal discrimination and human rights laws.

In the 2011-12 year to 29 June 2012, the Commission received 86 complaints under the DDA relating to transport accessibility issues. This equates to 9% of all complaints received under the DDA and 3% of total complaints received under all federal discrimination and human rights laws.