Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 30/31 May 2011

Question: E11-074

OUTCOME 3: Access to Medical Services

Topic: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REVIEW (PSR)

Written Question on Notice

Senator Back asked:

Why is the AMA responsible for approving of the selection of the Director and panel members of the PSR and not for example the Medical Registration Board?

Answer:

The Parliament enacted sections 84 and 85 of the *Health Insurance Act 1973*, which give this function to the Australian Medical Association.