

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Legislation Committee**  
Answers to questions on notice  
**Environment portfolio**

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**Senator Milne asked:**

Senator MILNE: I was told at the weekend that several million dollars had been promised to the Torres Strait Islander community for various adaptation works, in particular various sea walls and other infrastructure. Can you tell me whether that is going to be honoured or not?

Ms Jensen: I believe that may be a state issue. We could take that on notice.

Senator MILNE: Some of the Torres Strait Islander community met with me in Brisbane to say that they had been promised this money. They thought it had been from former Prime Minister Gillard. They may have been mistaken, but if you would check.

Ms Jensen: We will take that on notice.

**Answer:**

Responsibility for this matter lies with the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development.