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Question No. 121

Senator Scullion asked the following question at the hearing on 24 May 2012:

In its deliberations the Committee noted a number of organisations throughout Australia aimed at assisting Indigenous youth with post bail accommodation and support. Central After Hours Assessment and Bail Placement Service (CAHABPS) in Victoria, Youth Bail Accommodation Support Service in Queensland, Intensive Bail Support Program in New South Wales, Bail Options Project in Tasmania and the Youth Bail Service in Western Australia.

- a) To what extent are these programs funded by the Federal Government?
- b) Is there any similarly based organisations operating in the Northern Territory?

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

Issues relating to bail, including accommodation, are primarily a matter for the States and Territories. The services referred to in the Senator's question are State and Territory initiatives and are not funded by the Australian Government. Questions about organisations similar to Central After Hours Assessment and Bail Placement Service (CAHABPS) in the Northern Territory should be directed to the Northern Territory Government.