

**Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee inquiry into the Social Services (Administration) Amendment (Income Management and Cashless Welfare) Bill 2019**

**PUBLIC HEARING – 18 MARCH 2019  
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Department of Social Services**

**Topic:** Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee inquiry into the Social Services (Administration) Amendment (Income Management and Cashless Welfare) Bill 2019

**Question reference number:** SQ19-000171

**Senator:** Sue Lines

**Type of Question:** Spoken. Hansard Page/s:

**Date set by the Committee for the return of answer:** 25 March 2019

**Question:**

**Senator LINES:** I raise the point because the department said that it does regularly meet with advocacy groups, so I was asking particularly if you had met with The Say NO Seven group. Two of you have said no. Do you want to take that on notice and see whether the department has met separately with The Say NO Seven group outside the consultation process?

**Ms Pattrick:** Yes, we can take that on notice.

**Answer:**

The department held seven public information sessions in Bundaberg and Hervey Bay. Any member of the public may have attended these sessions, including members of the Say NO Seven.