

Question on notice no. 254

Portfolio question number: SQ24-000268

2023-24 Additional estimates

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee, Infrastructure,
Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts Portfolio**

Senator Malcolm Roberts: asked the Civil Aviation Safety Authority on 23 February 2024—

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Answer —

Please find answer attached

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Division/Agency Name: Agency - Civil Aviation Safety Authority

Hansard Reference: Written (23 February 2024)

Topic: CASA - Evidence of higher risk of myocarditis from COVID infection

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Answer:

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