Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2010-11 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 5 Question No: 77

Topic: Ongoing residency requirement for Disability Support Pension

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Senator Siewert asked:

If the changes to DSP residence rules are implemented would the Government bring the DSP in line with other working age pensions and apply a two year residency waiting period to DSP? (Currently it is subject to a ten year waiting period in line with the Aged Pension).

Answer:

There are no planned changes to the 10 year residency period required to qualify for Disability Support Pension.