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2010-11 Additional Estimates Hearings

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Senator Siewert asked:

There is still the issue of people who have bought a property for their son or daughter, trying to do the right thing, to look after them, and they are now having difficulties with basically transferring it, and the impact that is having on their pension.

Presuming that people start taking up the trust, et cetera, there may be a finite number of people who have in fact already bought a property to put in it and they then want to transfer it. Do you have an idea of how many people and how many properties we are talking about?

Answer:

There is no data available to determine the number of people who have purchased a property with the intention of transferring it into a Special Disability Trust.