

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2011-2012, 15 February 2012

Question: E12-069

OUTCOME 0: Whole of Portfolio

Topic: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Written Question on Notice

Senator McKenzie asked:

- a) How many FOI requests has the Department received for this financial year to date?
- b) How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted?
- c) Has the Department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests?
- d) If so, how many?
- e) Do any of these requests remain outstanding?

Answer:

- a) As at 15 February 2012 the Department of Health and Ageing had received 257 requests.
- b) 78 requests have been granted and 54 requests have been denied.
- c) Yes.
- d) The Department failed to meet processing deadlines in 30 cases.
- e) 5 requests.