

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
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**2011-12 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 1

**Question No:** 112

**Topic:** National Children's Commissioner

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**Senator Bernardi** asked:

In relation to the National Children's Commissioner, has the Department or the Minister's Office received any official correspondence from the Greens Party or representations in this area from members of the Greens.

**Answer:**

The Department has not received correspondence from the Australian Greens about a National Children's Commissioner.

In July 2011 the Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Hon Jenny Macklin MP, and the then Parliamentary Secretary for Community Services, the Hon Julie Collins MP, received correspondence from Australian Greens Senator Sarah Hanson-Young seeking support for her Private Member's Bill, Commonwealth Commissioner for Children and Young People Bill 2010.