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

2012-13 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 5 Question No: 323

Topic: Better Start for Children with Disability

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Senator Fifield asked:

What criteria was used for the selection of the conditions included in the expansion of the Better Start program from 1 January 2013? Were other conditions considered but not included in the expansion?

Answer:

The 2012 KPMG report *Reviewing the Evidence on the Effectiveness of Early Childhood Intervention* provided a rationale for the addition of the nine new conditions. KPMG considered a range of conditions in preparation of the report.