

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 8

**Question No:** 395

**Topic:** National Respite for Carers Program

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator McLucas** asked:

Will the Department provide an update about any discussions or negotiation with stakeholders over the National Respite for Carers Program: the contracts for which expire on 30 June 2014?

**Answer:**

Funding arrangements under the National Respite for Carers Programme are in the process of being extended one year through to 30 June 2015, to align with the commencement of the new Commonwealth Home Support Programme.