

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 1 - Population Health

Topic: Wind farms and human health

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Di Natale, Richard

Question:

In regard to the NHMRC report into wind farms, did the \$500,000 a year for the wind farm studies come from the NHRMC's budget, or was this additional funding the Government provided?

Answer:

The announcement to be made shortly by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) regarding a Targeted Call for Research into wind farms and human health will support an annual expenditure of up to \$0.5 million per annum over five years, out of NHMRC's total annual expenditure of around \$850 million from the Medical Research Endowment Account, dependent on NHMRC receiving high quality applications.