Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017, 1 March 2017

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OUTCOME: 4 - Individual Health Benefits

Topic: Biologic Drugs

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Griff, Stirling

Question:

How are prices for the biologic drugs agreed?

Answer:

Once recommended by the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee for listing on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme, prices are negotiated between the Department of Health and the sponsor for the drug and agreed by the Minister for Health.