Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO 2012-13 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross

Question No: 449

Topic: Commissioned Reports

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Senator McKenzie asked:

(a) How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your portfolio this financial year to date? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.

(b) How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level?

(c) What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?

Answer:

(a) The definition of a 'report' used in providing an answer to this Question on Notice is any report authorised by Government, finalised, handed to Government and subsequently made public. Reports produced as a component of work for Cabinet committees, inter-departmental committees, Council of Australian Government (COAG) working groups and internal committees are excluded.

As at 31 May 2012, no reports have been commissioned by the Government in the Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs portfolio this financial year.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.