Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND

INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

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Topic: Information for the Australian Greens and Independents

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Senator McKenzie asked:

Does the department/agency provide any information and/or undertake any requests for the Australian Greens? If yes, please provide the following information:

- How is such work and/or information requests commissioned?
- What work/information requests have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each work produced.
- Has any such work and/or information requests been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details including what the work and/or information requests were and why it could not be undertaken.
- How long is spent undertaking work and/or information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.

Answer:

The Department does provide information to the Australian Greens.

Information requests are made through: the Prime Minister; the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet; Minister Macklin's office; or at public forums.

Briefings have been provided as part of routine consultation processes, particularly in relation to the development of legislation.

No information requests have been unable to proceed.

Any briefings provided by the Department are part of its routine workload.