

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
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Outcome Number: Cross

Question No: 484

Topic: Information for the Australian Greens and Independents

Hansard Page: Written

Senator McKenzie asked:

Does the department/agency provide any information and/or undertake any requests for the Independents? 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, including who the work/information was for 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, who they were from, who they were for and why it could not be undertaken.
- How long is spent undertaken work and/or information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.

Answer:

The Department does provide information to the Independents.

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.