

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2013-14, 5/6 & 7 June 2013

Question: E13-102

OUTCOME: 0 - Whole of Portfolio

Topic: Alternative Policy Costings

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Smith

Question:

Has the Department undertaken any alternative policy costings or advice? If yes, provide details of what these costings or advice were, including provision of costings or advice documents and assumptions used, and who made the request and when.

Answer:

The Department of Health and Ageing routinely provides a variety of advice to Government, including costings and analysis on a range of policy options. Consistent with longstanding practice, questions regarding the details of policy advice (including costings) provided in-confidence are matters for Government.