

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
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Topic: Supporting Senior Australians - Housing Help for Seniors - pilot

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Senator Payne asked:

How will this pilot project be a genuine or useful test of the market for this type of scheme, when it excludes most of the market from the ability to participate in it?

Answer:

A large number of seniors will be eligible to participate in the pilot - there are more than 670,000 pensioners of Age Pension age who have 25 years tenure in their home; that is, around 40 per cent of pensioners of Age Pension age have owned their home for more than 25 years.