

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2013-14 Budget Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 2

**Question No:** 271

**Topic:** Housing Affordability Fund

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Payne** asked:

The revised budget for the Housing Affordability Fund for 2012-13 as listed in the FAHCSIA PBS for 2013-14 is \$74,257,000 (p.65). This is noticeably lower than was forecast in the 2012-13 FAHCSIA PBS (\$101,250,000 - p.61). Can you explain the difference?

**Answer:**

The difference arises from a number of HAF projects terminating, reducing in scope, or completing under budget and subsequent transfer of HAF funds to other housing programs.