Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission

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Senator Moore asked:

Did the Department have trouble getting stakeholders to respond with a quote when the tender was first offered? If so: Why? What happened? What feedback did you receive?

Answer:

The Department conducted a procurement process in which potential suppliers were requested to submit quotations. All responded promptly, but some expressed the view that the proposed timeframe would constrain the work and suggested alternative timing. The Department considered this feedback and elected to run a second procurement process, requesting the same suppliers to submit a new quotation to conduct the work over a longer timeframe, with a final report later in 2014.