Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 383

Topic: Results of non-payment measure

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Senator Siewert asked:

As a result of the non-payment period measure for under 30's how many additional people are estimated, in each of the forward estimates years, to:

- (a) undertake further education or training
- (b) move from Newstart Allowance to Youth Allowance or Austudy Payment (and the average reduction in their payments)
- (c) undertake further education or training
- (d) incur student debts?

Please provide breakdowns for (a) to (c) by age (18-21, 22-29 yrs).

Answer:

This question cannot be answered as the 'non-payment period' refers to only the 26 week exclusion period following the first payment period. People are anticipated to undertake education and training in response to the first 'waiting period' under the measure.