## **Senate Community Affairs Committee**

# ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

### **HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

## Budget Estimates 2014 - 2015, 2/3 June 2014

**Ref No:** SQ14-000569

**OUTCOME:** 0 - Whole of Portfolio

**Topic:** Data Project

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas, Jan

### **Question:**

Has the department received any correspondence from the Department of Human Services in relation to linking de-identified MBS and PBS data sets?

#### **Answer:**

The Department of Health regularly corresponds with the Department of Human Services, other Commonwealth departments and agencies, and researchers on issues relating to the supply, linkage, and security of Medical Benefits Scheme (MBS) and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) data.