

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 3 - Access to Medical and Dental Services

Topic: Child Dental Benefits Scheme

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

Are there any changes proposed to the administration, management, eligibility or entitlement amounts under the Child Dental Benefits Scheme?

Answer:

The Dental Benefits Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 was introduced into Parliament on 26 March 2014. The Bill makes amendments to the *Dental Benefits Act 2008* (DB Act) which establishes the framework for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS).

In relation to the CDBS, the Dental Benefits Legislation Amendment Bill 2014, once enacted, will make changes as set out in the Explanatory Memorandum of the Bill.