

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 6 - Private Health

Topic: Private Health Insurance Downgrades

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Senator: Xenophon, Nick

Question:

On notice, can you provide details about the nature of those discussions—where you are at in finding a uniform benchmark with respect to that?

Answer:

There have been broad discussions with industry which has revealed a range of industry views. Preliminary discussions with the larger insurers have occurred and further consultation with all insurers has been arranged for 23 July 2014.