# **Senate Community Affairs Committee**

## ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

#### **HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

## **Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016, 1 - 2 June 2015**

**Ref No:** SQ15-000291

**OUTCOME:** 4 - Acute Care

**Topic:** Hospital Funding

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Di Natale, Richard

# **Question:**

How does the Commonwealth Government expect the States and Territories to make up the \$57 billion shortfall when the states and territories do not have the capacity to raise this extra revenue or to realise equivalent efficiencies of this magnitude?

#### **Answer:**

The Department of Health is not in a position to provide the Senate with opinions on matters of government policy.