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Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

Senator McLUCAS: Can I receive information about the date that the brief that includes the recommendation for a review was provided to the minister and the date the minister signed that brief or minute—I do not know what it would have been called?

Mr Bowles: I can tell you when we sent something but I cannot tell you when the minister saw it or signed it, so we would have to take that on notice. It was sent on 20 May.

Senator McLUCAS: Minister, do you recall the day you signed it?

Answer:

The Department of Health provided the Assistant Minister, Senator the Hon Fiona Nash, with a submission on 22 May 2015 that asked her to formally note that the Department was intending to commission a Review of the organ and tissue donation and transplantation programme, along with terms of reference for the review. The Minister signed this submission on 25 May 2015.