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Senator McLucas, Jan asked:

So, let's go to how many cases there are where the noncompliance will lead to either a reduction in the cash payment or a change to the tax offset.

Answer:

In 2014, the Department reviewed a sample of statements of compliance and found that over two-thirds of the sample were non-compliant with the NRAS Regulations. Where 2013-14 Statements of Compliance were processed and had been initially assessed as non-compliant, the Department liaised with the approved participant to try to rectify the issue where possible. The outcomes reflect the extensive efforts to assist approved participants to become compliant.

Based on the 20,403 incentives paid or approved for payment as at 19 June 2015, there were a total of 31 Statements of Compliance that did not receive the full NRAS incentive amount for the 2013-14 NRAS year due to non-compliance.

There remain 377 Statements of Compliance that are currently non-compliant and/or require additional information.