

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 6 - Ageing and Aged Care

Topic: Aged Care Workforce Strategy

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Senator: Polley, Helen

Question:

Senator POLLEY: Will the government adopt the aged care workforce strategy that is supposed to be produced by the task force as government policy?

Ms Rule: That will be a matter for the government.

Senator POLLEY: Minister, you might be able to shed some light on it.

Senator Nash: No; unfortunately, I am not the minister responsible, but—

Senator POLLEY: Can you take that on notice?

Senator Nash: I can take that on notice for you.

Answer:

In the 2017-18 Budget the Australian Government announced it would support the establishment of an industry-led taskforce to develop an aged care workforce strategy. The strategy will be led by the sector for the sector and is not intended to provide advice to Government.