

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Senator: Singh, Lisa

Question:

Senator SINGH: We will see. The measure also says that some savings come from utilising 'uncommitted health program funds'. Which programs are they? Can you provide a breakdown?

Mr Bowles: We would have to take on notice specifically where they would be, but if we have uncommitted funds in some of our program areas we would look to use those. We can take that on notice though.

Senator SINGH: If you could take on notice some kind of a breakdown.

Answer:

The uncommitted funds were sourced from a range of programs across several Outcomes, having been identified as excess to current planning requirements. These savings were agreed by the Department of Finance and will not impact on planned expenditure or announced program delivery.