

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

**Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018, 30 May 2017**

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**OUTCOME:** 6 - Ageing and Aged Care

**Topic:** Commonwealth Home Support Program Extension

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Polley, Helen

**Question:**

What consultation did the Department undertake with providers, unions, consumers or others before taking the decision to extend existing CHSP contracts and Regional Assessment Services until June 2020?

**Answer:**

The decision to extend funding for the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) and Regional Assessment Services was made by the Government in the 2017-18 Budget. No consultation was undertaken as part of the Budget process.