

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 2 - Health Access and Support Services

Topic: Cancer Screening Register

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Di Natale, Richard

Question:

How much of the \$43.8m in the budget for 'transition' requirements for the cancer screening register is as a result of the failings of the contract with TelstraHealth for the National Cancer Screening Register?

Answer:

The budget for the transition arrangements followed the delay to the commencement of the National Cancer Screening Register, which was due to the complexities of data mapping and migration from eight state and territory registers and the Medicare register into one central register. The contract with Telstra remains sound.