

## Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

### SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES - 20 OCTOBER 2011 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

#### Department of Human Services

**Topic:** Disaster Debt Recovery

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**Senator:** Fifield

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#### **Question:**

**Senator FIFIELD:** I think you mentioned that \$5.2 million in debts had been raised.

**Mr Popple:** Yes.

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**Senator FIFIELD:** How much has Centrelink spent to date on recovery efforts, for want of a better phrase?

**Mr Popple:** I would have to take that on notice.

#### **Answer:**

It is not cost effective to determine the amount that has been spent on debt recovery specifically relating to the disasters.