Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

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Department of Human Services

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Question:

Senator FIFIELD: Is there anywhere in the annual report or on the website I can go to that lists the 33 market research contracts?

Mr Jongen: Most certainly; they are all listed in the annual report.

Senator FIFIELD: What about for the current financial year to date? Are those

figures available publicly? Or do you need to take those on notice?

Mr Jongen: No, but I will read what the secretary said: 'These are significant one-off expenditures. There will be a significant reduction, certainly in my area of responsibility, over the next 12 months.'

Senator FIFIELD: We look forward to that. Could you take on notice the amount for the financial year to date.

Ms Campbell: We can take that on notice.

Senator FIFIELD: Would you happen to have a figure to hand for the financial year

to date for market research?

Ms Bennett: No, we will take that on notice

Answer:

\$244,076.