

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 19 October 2011

Question: E11-316

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON DRUGS

Written Question on Notice

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Does the Committee intend to formally involve stakeholders who are not members of the committee in its deliberations? If so, how? If not, why not?

Answer:

The response has been prepared in reference to the Standing Committee on Alcohol, which is a newly established committee under the Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs.

The management of committees and associated stakeholder engagements is the responsibility of the Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs (IGCD) and the Chairs of the Standing Committees and Working Groups. However the Commonwealth has conveyed to the IGCD and to the Standing Committee on Alcohol the importance of ensuring participation by a broad range of interests including the alcohol industry in line with the commitment made in the National Drug Strategy.