Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: PETROL SNIFFING

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Senator: Senator Scullion

Question:

Are you aware, of any impending decision or discussions around the possibility of providing funding for R&D into the creation of a non-aromatic premium fuel as happened with the unleaded fuel?

Answer:

The current funding under the Petrol Sniffing Prevention Program does not cover research and development for low aromatic premium unleaded petrol.

Research and development to date in relation to low aromatic fuel has been independently conducted by fuel companies. Research into low aromatic premium unleaded petrol is not presently under consideration by the Government.