

## **Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee**

### **SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES - 18 OCTOBER 2012 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

#### **Human Services Portfolio**

**Topic:** Australian Hearing – Budget Forward Estimates

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**Senator:** Fierravanti-Wells

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#### **Question:**

Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS: ...What are your forward estimates for the monies that you get from the Commonwealth? Where are they published? Are they published somewhere?

Ms Clapin: For this financial year we will receive \$60.07 million and in the 2013-14 financial year we will receive an additional \$14.1 million to that and an additional \$16.7 million.

Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS: Is that on top of the \$60 million? That is not very clear. Could you just give me the total figures?

Ms Clapin: We do not have the total figures given to us by the office at this point.

Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS: Could you take that on notice?

Ms Clapin: Yes

#### **Answer:**

Australian Hearing does not provide forward estimates for funding. The Office of Hearing Services, within the Department of Health and Ageing, provides forward estimates for the Australian Government Hearing Services Program and then notifies Australian Hearing of the allocation to supply services to Community Service Obligation clients.

Forward estimates are provided in the Budget Strategy and Outlook (Budget Paper No1) on page 220 of the Health and Ageing Budget Measures 2011-12.