

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2013-14 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programs

Question No: 186

Topic: Freedom of Information

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Senator Ludwig asked:

How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* within the department?

- a. How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013?

Answer:

There have been no changes to the designated decision-makers under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* from the former FaHCSIA since 6 September 2013.

The number of decision-makers within DSS is currently being determined as the impacts of Machinery of Government changes are worked through.

However, in practice, all FOI decisions are made in the Public Law Branch by the officers referred to in response to Question No 184.