Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 23-24 OCTOBER 2014 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Multiple Tenders

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Question:

Since Budget Estimates in June 2014:

- a) List any tenders that were re-issued or issued multiple times.
 - 1) Why were they re-issued or issued multiple times?
 - 2) Where any applicants received for the tenders before they were re-issued or repeatedly issued?
- b) Were those applicants asked to resubmit their tender proposal?

Answer:

- a) Since Budget Estimates in June 2014, the department reissued one tender, a Request for Tender (RFT) for the provision of Asset Disposal and Valuation Services.
 - 1) This RFT was reissued because the licensing conditions required in the original RFT were found to be no longer relevant due to changes in legislation. Based on this, the department decided to withdraw and reissue the RFT.
 - 2) Yes, a total of four applications were received in response to the original tender.
- b) The tender, reissued on 18 August 2014, required any applicants to submit a new response. The four tenderers that responded to the initial RFT were given the option to reapply in an abbreviated form.