

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2014-15 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programs

Question No: 61

Topic: Reviews

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Ludwig asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014 how many new reviews (defined as review, inter-departmental group, inquiry, internal review or similar activity) have been commenced? Please list them including:

- a. the date they were ordered
- b. the date they commenced
- c. the minister responsible
- d. the department responsible
- e. the nature of the review
- f. their terms of reference
- g. the scope of the review
- h. who is conducting the review
- i. the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review
- j. the expected report date
- k. the budgeted, projected or expected costs
- l. if the report will be tabled in parliament or made public.

Answer:

Since the Budget Estimates in June 2014 and until 31 August 2014, no new ministerial reviews have commenced.

The Department routinely undertakes reviews of its processes. To identify these reviews would require a significant diversion of resources.