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: 177

Topic: Budget legislation **Hansard Page:** Written

Senator Moore asked:

On 2 October 2014, the Minister introduced into the House of Representatives four new Bills, which contain each of the Budget measures contained in the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 1 and No. 2) Bills 2014:

- a. On what date was the Department asked to draft the four Bills that were introduced into the House on 2 October?
- b. On what date did the Department commence drafting these Bills?
- c. On what date did the Department provide these Bills to the Minister?

Answer:

- a. On Friday 26 September 2014 in relation to the:
 - Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Seniors Supplement Cessation) Bill 2014;
 - Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 4) Bill 2014; and
 - Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 5) Bill 2014.

On Wednesday 1 October 2014 in relation to the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 6) Bill 2014.

- b. Drafting commenced on the dates the Department was asked to draft the four Bills.
- c. On Wednesday 1 October 2014 in relation to all four Bills.