

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

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Question No: 192

Topic: Commission of Audit

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Senator Moore asked:

Is the Department doing any work at all on the development of any of the relevant proposals included in the Commission of Audit report? If so, which ones?

Answer:

The Commission of Audit recommended that the Commonwealth civilian merits review tribunals be amalgamated with the Administrative Appeals Tribunal. The Government took the decision in the 2014-15 Budget to progress this recommendation.

The Department is an active participant in the Tribunals Amalgamation Taskforce, led by the Attorney-General's Department, which is managing the amalgamation of the Commonwealth merits review tribunals.