

**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:** 225

**Topic:** Grants

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Brown** asked:

Please provide details from the Department Ministerial and workflow system of all minutes and briefings (excluding budget and cabinet in confidence minutes/briefs) provided in 2014 to the Minister in relation to the revised grants structure and tender process. Please provide the title of the minute/brief and the date it was provided to the Minister's office.

**Answer:**

As the Department's new grant programme structure was implemented as a measure through the 2014-15 Budget, there are no Departmental briefings or minutes that can be provided to meet this request.

Following the announcement of the new grant programme structure through the 2014-15 Budget, 23 selection processes opened. These processes are in progress and the outcomes of those rounds are yet to be finalised.

Given the size and scope of the funding rounds, answering this question would require an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.