

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

**Outcome Number:** 1

**Question No:** 425

**Topic:** Newstart Budget measure - 6 month wait

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Moore** asked:

What work is the Department doing on alternative versions of this policy, in light of the fact that the Government is unable to pass it through the Parliament? For example, has the Department done any work on a reduced waiting period, and if so, what was the nature of this advice?

**Answer:**

The Department is unable to provide answers to these questions as they involve the deliberations of Government as part of the Budget process.