Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2014-15 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Affordable Housing

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Senator Xenophon asked:

Has the department done any modelling in relation to allowing first home buyers to access their superannuation as a deposit?

Answer:

The Department of Social Services has not undertaken modelling in relation to first home buyers withdrawing funds from their superannuation to use as a deposit to purchase a dwelling for owner-occupation.

Policy responsibility for superannuation rests with the Commonwealth Treasury.