

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

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Question No: 480

Topic: Affordable Housing

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Senator Xenophon asked:

Is the department familiar with the similar scheme in Canada? Has the department done any assessment of this scheme?

Answer:

The Department of Social Services (the Department) is familiar with the scheme in Canada that allows first home buyers to withdraw funds from their superannuation to use as a deposit to purchase a dwelling for owner-occupation.

The Department has not undertaken an assessment of that scheme.