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ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Question No: 484

Topic: Income and assets assessment and income tested fees

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Senator Xenophon asked:

Has there been any tracking of the outcome of the income and assets assessment and income tested care fees and whether certain cohorts of potential residents are choosing not to enter aged care or take a package because of the increase in fees?

Answer:

The Aged Care Financing Authority (ACFA) has been asked by the Government to monitor the impact of the reforms, including means testing, on aged care consumers and providers.

ACFA is reporting to Government on a monthly basis for the period July to December 2014 and will report on a quarterly basis in 2015.

ACFA's reports can be found on the Department of Social Services website:

<https://www.dss.gov.au/our-responsibilities/ageing-and-aged-care/aged-care-reform/reforms-by-topic/aged-care-financing-authority>