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Senator McLucas asked:

What consultation was undertaken with NRAS providers in the development of the amendments to the National Rental Affordability Scheme Regulations 2008 that took place in September?

Answer:

Commencing with a speech to the National Housing Conference of 1 November 2013, Minister Andrews has publically and consistently communicated an intention to reform the National Rental Affordability Scheme, and has received feedback from stakeholders on this decision.

In developing the *National Rental Affordability Scheme Amendment (Provisional Allocations and Other Measures) Regulation 2014*, the Department took into account feedback on the Scheme received through a range of mechanisms, including directly from NRAS Approved Participants and from State and Territory governments.