

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 22 OCTOBER 2015 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Identity Fraud

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Senator: Cameron

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Question:

What was the outcome of the 12 identity fraud investigations undertaken in 2013-14?

Answer:

There were 12 identity fraud investigations, all involving non-compliance, undertaken in 2014-15 with total savings of \$271,488 (debts and savings to future outlays).

There was insufficient evidence to support a reasonable prospect of conviction therefore in line with the agreed referral guidelines the matters were not referred to the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions (CDPP).