

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

Senator McLUCAS: This is more of a question to the department: how much money has been spent to date by the Organ and Tissue Donation Authority, the National Blood Authority and the Department of Health to prepare for the merger between OTA and the Blood Authority?

Answer:

Expenditure to prepare for the merger has been absorbed into existing departmental budgets for the Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority, the National Blood Authority and the Department of Health. It is not possible to separate these costs out from the day to day work of the agencies.