

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Topic: Machinery of Government (MoG)

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Polley, Helen

Question:

a) Please outline the rationale for moving Ageing and Aged Care to the Department of Social Services? What were the advantages and of having Ageing and Aged Care in DSS? What were the limitations?

b) Please outline the rationale for moving Ageing and Aged Care back to the Department of Health? What benefits will be gained?

Answer:

Machinery of Government changes are a decision of Government and questions regarding the rationale of Government decisions are a matter for Government.