

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Senator: Senator Nova Peris

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Question:

Senator PERIS: How many applications to the ABA have been processed and approved during the term of the previous government?

Mr Stacey: Again, it is a very specific question. I just do not have that information to hand.

Senator Scullion: That will have to be taken on notice.

Answer:

The numbers of Aboriginals Benefit Account grant applications processed and approved during the term of the previous government are listed in the table below (covering the period from July 2007 to August 2013).

ABA Grants	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
Applications Processed	88	139	212	225	180	207	0
Applications Approved	51	63	91	88	46	33	49
Total Approved Amount	\$38,371,296	\$58,354,949	\$71,275,595	\$118,098,189	\$32,159,212	\$9,176,137	\$159,800,780

*The 49 applications approved in 2013-14, were received through the February 2013 grant round and processed in the 2012-13 financial year.

** This is for the period until August 2013.