

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question:

The Northern Territory Government does not have any money in its budget for repairs and maintenance of public housing dwellings until the next financial year. Will the Commonwealth provide funding to enable the Northern Territory Government to conduct repairs to its public housing premises? How much will this be?

Answer:

The Australian Government meets regularly with the Northern Territory Government at Joint Steering Committee meetings, and to date the Northern Territory Department of Housing has given no indication it has fully expended its property and tenancy management funding for the first half of this financial year.