

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2015-16

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Topic: Approval of grants to co-operatives and mutuals

Senator: McKenzie
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Question:

1. Could the Department please provide detailed figures regarding the number and amount of grants it has approved in the past 12 months to co-operatives and mutuals as compared to incorporated businesses? If none, why?
2. Will the Department consider changing criteria to allow co-operatives to apply for funding under government programmes?

Answer:

1. Information on the Department of Finance's grants can be found at www.finance.gov.au/publications/grants
2. The Department manages its grant programs consistent with the *Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines*.