

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S PORTFOLIO

Program: General

Question No. BE16/015

Senator Madigan asked the following question at the hearing on 5 May 2016:

Senator MADIGAN: Very few of the questions taken on notice by organisations falling within your portfolio have been answered. How do you explain this flagrant disregard to their obligations to the Senate when questions are asked?

Senator Brandis: I will have the question on compliance checked. You will of course be mindful of the fact that these estimates are a fortnight earlier than when the estimates were scheduled to occur.

Senator MADIGAN: Specifically the Family Court questions.

Senator Brandis: All right. I will take that up with the CEO of the Family Court.

Senator MADIGAN: Thank you.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

In order to ensure that QoNs are fully answered, an appropriate level of consultation is required. This consultation process can be time consuming.