## Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

## 2011-12 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Whole Question No: 381

**Topic:** Government Payment of Accounts

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## **Senator Boyce** asked:

Has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)? If not, why not, and what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached.

## **Answer:**

As at 31 May 2011, FaHCSIA has paid its accounts in accordance with Government policy (ie 90 per cent within 30 days), having actually made 91 per cent of all payments within 30 days.