

House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Thursday, 30 May 2019

**Social Assistance Legislation (Budget 2019 Welfare Package)
Amendment Bill**

Proposed amendment

Denise Lee, in Committee, to move the following amendment:

New clause 6A

After *clause 6* (page 3, after line 24), insert:

6A New section 194A inserted (MSD to report on key outcomes for children in benefit-dependent households)

After section 194, insert:

194A MSD to report on key outcomes for children in benefit-dependent households

MSD must publish yearly as part of its Annual Report or Statement of Intent, or as a standalone report, information on key outcomes for the number of children in benefit-dependent homes.

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper introduces recommendation 5 of the Welfare Expert Advisory Group's report, which provides for clear reporting on a number of outcomes related to Vote Social Development. This specific clause requires MSD to report on how the lives of children in benefit-dependent homes are affected by the changes in this bill. The purpose of this bill is to improve and increase the incomes for low-income individuals and families, and this amendment creates measures and yearly reporting on the improved outcomes for benefit recipients.