



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2022-2023

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QUESTION ON NOTICE

Elizabeth Kikkert MLA: To ask the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence

Ref: The Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence, Budget Statements G, p.4 (CSD)

In relation to: The Specialist Services Review

Date (Question Lodged by Member): 30/08/2022

Date (Question Sent to DLO): 05/09/2022

- 1. Can the Minister please provide details on ACT Government's plans to undertake a Specialist Services Review of specialist services to 'understand where operational changes are needed to address victim survivors' needs', including the following information:**
 - a. Who will be undertaking the review, and what is the anticipated timeframe for the conducting of review (commencement and end)?**
 - b. What specialist services will be reviewed?**
 - c. How will the needs of victim survivors' be ascertained as part of conducting this review?**
 - d. How much funding has been allocated for the undertaking of this review?**

30 August 2022

Minister Berry: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

1. The ACT Government is committed to ensuring that specialist services, agencies and statutory bodies work effectively and are resourced appropriately to provide timely and integrated responses to victim survivors of sexual violence.
 - a. A procurement process will be undertaken to appoint an individual or organisation to undertake the review. The contract is expected to commence in November 2022 and continue into 2023.
 - b. Once the individual or organisation is engaged to undertake the review, the first task will be to focus on defining the scope of review, including the specialist services involved.
 - c. The scope of and the review will be informed by victim survivor feedback collected as part of the work of the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program.
 - d. \$585,000 over two years.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2022-2023

Signature:

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Date: 09/09/22

By Minister Yvette Berry [Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence]

