



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
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**SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2014-2015**  
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**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE  
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS  
ESD No 18**

Asked by Yvette Berry, MLA on 24 June 2014: Minister Corbell, MLA, for the Environment and Sustainable Development took on notice the following questions:

Ref: Hansard Transcript, Select Committee on Estimates 2014-2015, 24 June 2014, pg100

What percentage of households has taken up the energy efficiency improvement program and how many low income households?

When did this program commence?

**Minster Corbell, MLA, for the Environment and Sustainable Development: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-**

The Energy Efficiency Improvement Scheme (EEIS) started on 1 January 2013 under the *Energy Efficiency (Cost of Living) Improvement Act 2012 (the Act)*. It will run initially to 31 December 2015.

In the period 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2013 (the first compliance period of EEIS) ActewAGL reported that EEIS activities were undertaken in 18,064 ACT households. This represents approximately 13 per cent of all ACT households (based on approximately 140,000 ACT households). 5,255 of these households were identified as 'priority households' (representing 29 percent of participating households). Under the Act, a Priority Household means a residential premise in which one person who lives at the premises:

- a) is a recipient of an ACT Government energy concession; or
- b) holds a Commonwealth pensioner concession card or health care card; or
- c) holds a Department of Veterans Affairs pensioner concession card, TPI gold repatriation health care card, war widows repatriation health care card, or gold repatriation health care card.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2014-2015

Signature:

Date:

By the Minister for the Environment and Sustainable Development, Simon Corbell, MLA.

1.7.14

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1. Answers to QToNs should be lodged in signed hard copy (not emailed) to the Committee Support office within **5 working days of the hearing day when the question was taken on notice**. Day 1 is the first working day after the day of the hearing in which the question is taken on notice. **Example:** *If the question is taken on notice on Monday, the answer should be submitted by close of business the following Monday (even if the hearings for the portfolio stretch across several days).*
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