



**Australian Government**  
**Department of Social Services**

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Megalfar

By email: [foi+request-640-79c59bd8@righttoknow.org.au](mailto:foi+request-640-79c59bd8@righttoknow.org.au)

Dear Megalfar,

**Freedom of Information (FOI) Request No. 13/14 - 151**

I refer to your correspondence dated and received by the Department of Social Services (the Department) on 30 May 2014, in which you requested access to the following:

*"I wish to be provided of any/all information regarding changes due to the Abbott Government policies, that are or will be implemented in the Centerlink systems.*

*The information I am requesting are changes to the Impairment Tables, the minimum requirements to get on DSP, and any other information from Centerlink and the Department that makes a decision regarding someone applying for a Pension."*

The Department will process your request in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act) to the extent that it relates to the responsibility and functions of the Department, as follows:

*"The information I am requesting are changes to the Impairment Tables, the minimum requirements to get on DSP, and any other information from... the Department that makes a decision regarding someone applying for a Pension."*

As you have also referred to Centrelink and certain subject matter within the scope of your request closely relates to the responsibilities and functions of Centrelink, we suggest that you submit a Freedom of Information (FOI) request to Centrelink for the requested documentation relating to its functions. Further information on how to submit an FOI request to Centrelink can be found at the following link: <http://www.humanservices.gov.au/corporate/freedom-of-information/>.

The Department will advise you if a charge is payable to process your request and the amount of any such charge as soon as practicable.

Please note that information released under the FOI Act may be published in a disclosure log on the department's website. Section 11C of the FOI Act requires this publication, however it is subject to certain exceptions, including where publication of personal, business, professional or commercial information would be unreasonable.

Should you have any queries about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Team on (02) 6146 3170. Alternatively, you may send queries via email to [foi@dss.gov.au](mailto:foi@dss.gov.au).

We will correspond with you by email in relation to your FOI request.

Kind regards,

The FOI Team  
Public Law Branch