

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO
2011-12 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross

Question No: 21

Topic: Efficiency Dividend

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Senator McKenzie asked:

How will the efficiency dividend applied in the 2011-12 Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook be implemented in your agency/department?

What percentage of your budget must be cut?

Answer:

The Department's primary strategy in managing the efficiency dividend is to set balanced budgets early and carefully monitor and regularly review these budgets.

The 2.5% efficiency dividend applied in the 2011-12 Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook has been applied, consistent with announced government policy.