# **Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

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**Question: AET 274-276** 

**Topic:** Paid Parental Leave

Written: Received from Committee – 22 February 2013

## Senator BUSHBY asked:

- 274. Please list how many staff in each department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
- 275. For this financial year to date (22 February 2013) list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme. Please list how many staff (and detail their classification) are in receipt of these payments.
- 276. What is the paid parental scheme offered by each department and agency? How many staff have used the scheme this financial year to date (22 February 2013)?

#### **Answer:**

- 274. All employees with more than 12 months service who earn less than \$150,000 per annum and are the primary care giver of their child are eligible to receive payment under the Government's Paid Parental Leave Scheme. As eligibility is based on primary caring responsibility, the number of staff cannot be identified.
- 275. These figures represent Treasury staff.

Classification	Total Staff
APS3	0
APS4	1
APS5	2
APS6	1
EL1	3
EL2	1
Total	8

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276. Eligible working parents of children born or adopted on or after 1 January 2011 may get a maximum of 18 weeks of Government funded pay at the National Minimum Wage, Currently \$606.50 a week before tax, to help them care for a new child.

Classification	Total Staff
APS4	2
APS5	1
APS6	2
EL1	8
EL2	5
Total	18