

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Agency - Fair Work Commission

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000684

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

FWC - Contracts for temporary staff

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or contract staff?
2. How many temporary or contract staff have been employed?
3. What is the total number of temporary or contract staff currently employed?
4. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff?
5. Have there been any changes to the policies/criteria that govern the appointment of contract staff?

Answer

1. From 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016, expenditure entered in the Fair Work Commission's ledger for temporary or contract staff was \$530,963.83 (excluding GST).
2. From 14 September 2015 and 31 January 2016, the Fair Work Commission employed 31 temporary or contract staff.
3. As at 1 March 2016, the Fair Work Commission employs 12 temporary or contract staff.
4. Nil.
5. No.