

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: Ministerial office security classifications

Senator: Senator Ludwig

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Question:

- 1) What is the policy for ministerial staff security clearances?
- 2) How many staffers employed by the government under the MOPS Act have security clearances?
 - a. At what level?
 - b. If not, why not?
- 3) How many seconded departmental officers acting in ministerial offices, including DLOs have security clearances?
 - a. At what level?
 - b. If not, why not?

ONA Response:

1. ONA does not provide security clearances for ministerial staff.
2. N/A
3. Nil