

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee  
—Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2014**

**Answers to Questions on Notice**

**Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services**

Topic: **Security breaches**

Question: **203**

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**Senator MADIGAN:** Thank you. Further to Senator Wong's questioning, Ms Mills, Mr Skill, could you inform the committee how many times you have detected breaches by former members of staff of former members of parliament, whether House of Representatives or the Senate, and/or of other people's former staff—who claim to be working for another senator? How many breaches of that are there? I know of one, which was against myself. The Parliamentary Library informed me of that, which I appreciate. I would just like to know how many times it has occurred that the department knows of?

**Mr Skill:** I would have to take that on notice, to see what records we have of attempted entries or otherwise.

**Senator MADIGAN:** Thank you.

**Answer**

DPS does not have a record of people who have attempted to enter the building who are staff of former members of parliament, whether House of Representatives or the Senate, and/or of other people's former staff—who claim to be working for another Member or Senator.