

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Department of Human Services and agencies

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SENATOR MOORE asked the Minister for Human Services, upon written notice:

Mr Whalan—Not at a systemic level, other than that we have engaged quite a number of staff on management initiated part-time arrangements, which is a slightly different approach.

Senator MOORE—Have you the numbers for those? You can take it on notice.

Answer:

Table 43 on pages 245-246 and table 70 on page 259 of the Centrelink Annual Report 2004-05 shows the number and distribution of part-time employees in Centrelink. At 30 June 2005 5,648 Centrelink employees were employed in a part-time capacity, representing 22.4 per cent of Centrelink's workforce.

During 2004-05 Centrelink engaged 590 employees in part-time positions.