

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES - 16 FEBRUARY 2012 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Human Services Portfolio

Topic: Efficiency Dividend

Question reference number: HSW 34

Senator: McKenzie

Type of question: Written

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 29 March 2012

Number of pages: 1

Question:

- a) How will the efficiency dividend applied in the 2011-12 Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook be implemented in your agency/department?
- b) What percentage of your budget must be cut?
- c) Will any staff position be cut to meet the efficiency dividend? If yes, provide details of where the positions are located, the classification, whether the position is ongoing or not.
- d) Please list where and what spending has been reduced to meet the efficiency dividend.

Answer:

- a) The department is still considering measures to achieve the 2011-12 Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook.
- b) The Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook announced a 2.5 per cent reduction to departmental operating appropriations.
- c) See a).
- d) See a).