Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

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Human Services Portfolio

Topic: Paid Parental Leave

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Question:

a) Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?

b) For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.

Answer:

- a) The department does not assess or determine if a staff member is eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme.
- b) For this financial year to date (1 July 2011 to 31 March 2012), the department has provided 630 employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme. The classification of employees that are in receipt of these payments are shown below in Table 1.

<u>Table 1</u>: Number of employees by classification in receipt of Paid Parental Leave scheme payments in the period 1 July 2011 to 31 March 2012

Classification	Number
APS1	3
APS2	6
APS3	87
·APS4	315
APS5	49
APS6	126
EL1	35
EL2	9
TOTAL	630