Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2013-14 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Social Security Appeals Tribunal

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Senator Cash asked:

In terms of the current members of the SSAT that have been reappointed, had they otherwise not expired on 30 June 2013, how many were reappointed and when? Also, how long has the reappointment been for?

Answer:

Four part-time members and one full-time member whose current terms expire on 30 June 2013 were reappointed by the Governor-General on 16 May 2013.

The respective terms of their reappointments were one year in the case of one part-time member (due to availability and workload considerations); three years in the case of two part-time members (due to workload considerations); five years in the case of one part-time member; and five years (comprised of six months as a full-time member and four and half years as a part-time member) in the case of a full-time member who asked to be reappointed as a part-time member.