

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 5-6 JUNE 2014 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department Human Services

Topic: Shared Resources following MOG Changes

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Question:

- a) Following the Machinery of Government changes does the department share any goods/services/accommodation with other departments?
- b) What resources/services does the department share with other departments; are there plans to cease sharing the sharing of these resources/services?
- c) What were the costs to the department prior to the Machinery of Government changes for these shared resources? What are the estimated costs after the ceasing of shared resource arrangements?

Answer:

- a) As a service delivery organisation, the department provides a range of services to numerous Australian Government departments including shared services and accommodation.
- b) The services provided by the department include property management, ICT services, financial and HR functions. There are no plans to cease shared services arrangements.
- c) The costs to the department in providing these services are included in the department's overall operating budget. The department has received no additional Government appropriation for shared services.