

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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2013-14 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programs

Question No: 249

Topic: Cross Department / Corporate Matters

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Senator Moore asked:

Have any Departmental staff been working in the Minister's office since the election? If so, what are the details of these appointments, to what position have they been appointed, and how were they made? In which Minister's office have then been placed? Are they temporary or permanent? Who is paying for them - are they on the Department's books or have they been engaged under the MOPS Act and are therefore on the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary books? Please provide the number of Departmental staff that have been in each minister's office, and the period in which they were there.

Answer:

From 7 September 2013 to 31 October 2013 a total of 13 Departmental staff worked in the ministerial offices. This figure does not include Departmental Liaison Officers.

A decision to place the staff within the offices was made between the Department and the individual offices.

A breakdown of the staffing details is listed in the table below.

Office	No of Staff	Engagement	Salary	Position/Dates
Minister	4	Temporary	APS	1x A/g Adviser (23 Sept to 31Oct 2013) 1x A/g Receptionist (23 Sept to 31 Oct 2013) 1x A/g Diary Manager (23 Sept to 31 Oct 2013) 1 x A/g Receptionist (27 Sept)
	1	Permanent	MOPS	1 x Adviser (29 Sept to 31 Oct 2013)
Assistant Minister	6	Temporary	APS	1x A/g Receptionist (23 Sept to 10 Oct 2013) 1x A/g Receptionist (10 Oct to 22 Oct 2013) 1x A/g Media Adviser (14 Oct to 31 Oct 2013) 2x A/g Adviser (21 Oct to 31Oct 2013) 1x A/g Chief of Staff (1 Oct to 31Oct 2013)
Parliamentary Secretary	1	Temporary	APS	1x A/g Receptionist (8 Oct to 11 Oct 2013 and on 22 October 2013)