

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 23-24 OCTOBER 2014 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Shared Resources following MOG Changes

Question reference number: HS 100

Senator: Ludwig

Type of question: Written

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 12 December 2014

Number of pages: 1

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 department charges other agencies for services provided on a cost recovery basis.