Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 22 OCTOBER 2015 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Staffing – Enterprise Agreement

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Question:

- a) Why was it considered necessary to appoint a General Manager for Enterprise Bargaining?
- b) When was this appointment made and how long will it continue?

Answer:

- a) The appointment of the General Manager, Enterprise Agreement Negotiation reflects the importance that the Department places on the agreement making process.
- b) The General Manager, Enterprise Agreement Negotiation was appointed on 5 May 2014 and was also responsible for Workplace Relations. Responsibility for both Workplace Relations and Enterprise Agreement Negotiation transferred to the General Manager, People Services on 30 October 2015 due to changes in the Department's organisational structure.