

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice
Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings November 2014
Communications Portfolio
Special Broadcasting Service

Question No: 516

Program No. Special Broadcasting Service

Hansard Ref: Hansard In writing

Topic: Savings and efficiency measures

Senator Ludwig asked:

Since the Appropriate Bills 2014 were passed by the parliament:

1. How many measures, savings tasks or efficiency measures contained in the Appropriations bills have not been actioned or have had no guidance instructions issued?
2. For each measure or task identified in question 1:
 1. What is the timeframe for implementation?
 2. Who is the responsible agency for actioning these measures, guidelines or tasks?
 3. When was the Minister last briefed on this item? Was this briefing requested by the minister or initiated by the department?
 4. What action has the minister asked be done on this policy?

Answer

1-2. SBS is not subject to an efficiency dividend. However, as a result of recent reductions to the SBS Budget, SBS has implemented a range of efficiency measures.