## **Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**

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### **Communications Portfolio**

### **Australian Communications and Media Authority**

Question No: 154(e)

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Hansard Ref: Written, 31/10/2016

### **Topic: Programmes**

### Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

Please provide an itemised table detailing the following information:

- 1. Every program administered by the department and all portfolio agencies within it
  - (a) The total funding allocated for each in 2016-17, 2015-16 and 2014-15;
  - (b) The number of organisations funded under the program in each in those years, the name of each organisation funded and the dollar value of that funding
  - (c) The number of individuals projected to be serviced or services to be delivered through each in 2016-17, 2015-16 and 2014-15;
  - (d) The total funding actually expended on each in 2015-16 and 2014-15;
  - (e) The number of individuals actually serviced or services actually delivered through each in 2015-16 and 2014-15;
  - (f) The aggregate staff budget for each in 2016-17, 2015-16 and 2014-15 broken down by i) permanent APS staff and ii) contractors.
  - (g) The number of permanent APS staff responsible for delivering each in 2016-17; 2015-16 and 2014-15, the classification of these staff and their geographic location;
  - (h) The dollar value of external advice contracted to support each in 2016-17, as well as the number of contractors engaged, the APS-equivalent classification these contractors were engaged at and their geographic location.

#### **Answer:**

(a) Total funding allocated are as follows:

Program	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
Program 1: Communications regulation, planning and			
licensing	44,181	44,530	40,092
Program 2: Consumer safeguards, education and			
information	30,759	43,521	45,931
Program 3: Office of the Children's eSafety			
Commissioner*	12,733		
	87,673	88,051	86,023

<sup>\*</sup> Program 3 was created in 2016-17 and prior to Program 3, funding for Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner was allocated in Program 2. Sourced from Portfolio Budget Statements for the respective year of appropriation.

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- (b) The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) is appropriated funding for Program 3 and funding is transferred to Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner (OCeSC).
- (c) The ACMA does not record this data in a way that would readily allow for this information to be identified. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

(d)

Program	2015-16	2014-15
Program 1: Communications regulation, planning and licensing	41,686	41,853
Program 2: Consumer safeguards, education and information	40,742	47,949
Program 3: Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner*	0	0
	82,428	89,802

<sup>\*</sup> Program 3 was created in 2016-17 and prior to Program 3, funding for Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner was allocated in Program 2

- (e) The ACMA does not record this data in a way that would readily allow for this information to be identified. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.
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