

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Treasury Portfolio
Additional Estimates
2015 - 2016

Department/Agency: IGT
Question: AET 1063-1071
Topic: Red tape reduction
Reference: Written - 19 February 2016
Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1063. Please detail changes to structures, officials, offices, units, taskforce or other processes has the department dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets?

a) What is the progress of that red tape reduction target

1064. How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level?

1065. How have they been recruited?

1066. What process was used for their appointment?

1067. What is the total cost of this unit?

1068. What is the estimated total salary cost of the officers assigned to the unit.

1069. Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents?

1070. Please list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body.

1071. What is the formal name given to this unit/taskforce/team/workgroup or agency within the department?

Answer:

1063. The Inspector-General of Taxation (IGT) as a micro agency operating out of a single office location seeks to accommodate the Government policy position. Although the agency has limited scope to directly contribute, one officer has been allocated responsibility as part of their existing role.

- a) The IGT and the Treasury have a comprehensive service level agreement and memorandum of understanding in place for the support and delivery of operational requirements and corporate services. Treasury as IGT's portfolio head agency has advised that:

- to date the Government's annual red tape reduction target has been exceeded.
- details can be found in the Australian Government Annual Deregulation Reports and Repeal Day Overview documents at cuttingredtape.gov.au.

1064. Refer to AET 1063.

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1066. Refer to AET 1063.

1067. Met out of existing budget.

1068. Refer to AET 1063.

1069. Not applicable.

1070. Refer to AET 1063.

1071. Refer to AET 1063.