

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

2015 - 2016

Department/Agency: ASIC
Question: AET 3794-3797
Topic: Senate Estimates Preparation
Reference: written - 19 February 2016
Senator: Wong, Penny

Question:

How many officers have been responsible for preparing the department, agency, Ministerial briefing pack for the purposes of Senate estimates?

3794. How many officer hours were spent on preparing that information?

a) Please break down the hours by officer APS classification

3795. Were drafts shown to any of the Treasury Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries or their offices before Senate Estimates?

a) If so, when did this occur?

b) How many versions of this information were shown to the relevant Treasury Minister or their office?

3796. Did any of the Treasury Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries or their offices make any contributions, edits or suggestions for departmental changes to this information?

a) If so, when did this occur?

b) What officer hours were spent on making these edits? Please break down the hours by officer APS classification.

c) When were the changes made?

3797. Provide each of the contents pages of the Department/Minister/representing Minister's Senate Estimates folder prepared by the department for the Estimates hearings in October 2015 and February 2016.

Answer:

Ahead of Committee appearances, ASIC usually briefs the Minister and or the office and shows a list of pertinent topics.

3794. ASIC has a fulltime Government relations manager whose job is to prepare Commissioners for Senate Estimates. Providing an answer to this would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.

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a) No draft copies of briefs were shown to Treasury Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries or their offices before Senate Estimates. b) NA

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