

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Treasury Portfolio
Budget Estimates 2014
3 June to 5 June 2014

Department/ Agency: National Competition Council

Question: BET 2698-2706

Topic: Red Tape Reduction

Reference: Written - 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

2698. Please detail what 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?

2699. How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level?

2700. How have they been recruited?

2701. What process was used for their appointment?

2702. What is the total cost of this unit?

2703. What is the estimated total salary cost of the officers assigned to the unit?

2704. Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents?

2705. 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.

2706. What is the formal name given to this unit/taskforce/team/workgroup or agency within the department?

Answer:

2698. Until 30 June 2014 when the NCC secretariat was disbanded, the red tape reduction function was part of set of duties of one officer at classification SES Band 1. Regulatory responsibilities / agency guidelines reviewed for any relevant action. Refer to ACCC for arrangements from 1 July 2014.

2699. See 2698.

2700. Not applicable – was existing NCC staff member.

2701. Not applicable.

2702. Not applicable.

2703. Nil additional salary cost – was additional duty for existing NCC staff member.

2704. See 2698. Refer to ACCC.

2705. See 2698. Refer to ACCC.

2706. Not applicable.