

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

Department/ Agency: Productivity Commission

Question: BET 3051-57

Topic: Contracts for temporary staff

Reference: Written – 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

- 3051. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or contract staff since September 7th 2013?
- 3052. How many temporary or contract staff were employed since September 7th 2013?
- 3053. How many temporary or contract staff are currently employed?
- 3054. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff?
- 3055. How much is budgeted in the 2014/15 year for contract staff?
- 3056. What policies/criteria govern the appointment of Contract staff?
- 3057. How is the use of contract staff consistent with a professional, independent public service?

Answer:

As at 12 June 2014:

- 3051. \$77,224 (exGST).
- 3052. Three.
- 3053. Three.
- 3054. Nil .
- 3055. \$41,000 (exGST).
- 3056-57. Temporary staff are generally employed for short term vacancies where back-filling the position is essential and there are insufficient existing staff capable of undertaking the duties.