# **Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

## **Treasury Portfolio**

Supplementary Budget Estimates 20-21 November 2013

**Question: SBT 590-592** 

**Topic:** Ministerial office security classification

Written: 25 November 2013

## Senator LUDWIG asked:

590. What is the policy for ministerial staff security clearances?

- 591. How many staffers employed by the government under the MOPS Act have security clearances?
  - a. At what level?
  - b. If not, why not?
- 592. How many seconded departmental officers acting in ministerial offices, including DLOs have security clearances?
  - a. At what level?
  - b. If not, why not

### **Answer:**

- 590. The Department of Finance and Deregulation, Ministerial and Parliamentary Services Branch is responsible for the management of security clearances for individuals employed under the MOPS Act.
- 591. The Department of Finance and Deregulation, Ministerial and Parliamentary Services Branch is responsible for the management of security clearances for individuals employed under the MOPS Act.
- 592. All seconded departmental officers acting in ministerial offices, including DLOs have security clearances from Baseline to NV-2.