

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Agency - Workplace Gender Equality Agency

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000475

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

WGEA - Departmental Staff Misconduct

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

1. Please provide a copy of the departmental staff code of conduct.
2. Have there been any identified breaches of this code of conduct by departmental staff?
 1. If yes, list the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level.
 2. If yes, what remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not?
 3. If yes, when was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware?
 4. If yes, were there any legal ramifications for the department or staff member? Please detail.

Answer

1. All Australian Public Service employees are required to adhere to the APS Code of Conduct as outlined in Section 13 of the *Public Service Act 1999*. The Workplace Gender Equality Agency does not have a separate code of conduct for staff.
2. No.
 1. Not applicable.
 2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.
4. Not applicable.