

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Agency - Safe Work Australia

Department of Employment Question No. EM1230_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

SWA - Contracts for Temporary Staff

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014: 1. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or contract staff? 2. How many temporary or contract staff have been employed? 3. What is the total number of temporary or contract staff currently employed? 4. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff? 5. Have there been any changes to the policies/criteria that govern the appointment of contract staff?

Answer

- 1) Since 1 June 2014 Safe Work Australia has spent \$18 074.84 (gross) on non-ongoing staff.
- 2) Since Budget Estimates in June 2014, Safe Work Australia has engaged one employee on a 6 month non-ongoing contract.
- 3) The agency has one temporary employee.
- 4) Nil.
- 5) Safe Work Australia's policy on the use of temporary staff is consistent with the Australian Public Service Commission's Interim Recruitment Arrangements.