

Question: 30

Topic: Staffing recruitment

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Senator LUDWIG asked:

1. How many ongoing staff recruited from the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?
2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?
3. From the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

Answer:

No ongoing employees have commenced since 18 November 2013 to date.

No non-ongoing positions have been created since 18 November 2013. Twenty non-ongoing positions exist across the department. These employees generally support the work of the department during Senate sitting weeks including Senate Estimate hearings. A small number are engaged to support the Parliamentary Education Office.

The department employs either ongoing or non-ongoing employees. All non-ongoing employees are employed on contracts. Eight non-ongoing employees have commenced with the department since 18 November 2013 on fixed-term contracts. The average length of their employment periods is approximately eight months. One non-ongoing employee commenced on an irregular or intermittent contract.