

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2015-16

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Senator: Wong

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Question:

Are all new bids for departmental expenditure, whether they are for public service average staffing level or external staff such as contractors or consultants, required to be fully offset?

Answer:

The Budget Process Operational Rules require all new policy proposals that have a negative impact on the Budget to be fully offset.