

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2016**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **FoI Requests**

Question: **240**

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

1. How many requests for documents under the FOI Act have been received?
2. Of these, how many documents have been determined to be deliberative documents?
3. Of those assessed as deliberative documents:
 - a. For how many has access to the document been refused on the basis that it would be contrary to the public interest?
 - b. For how many has a redacted document been provided?

Answer

The Parliamentary Service Departments are not subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*.