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Topic: Enterprise Bargaining Agreements (EBAs)

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Senator LUDWIG asked:

1. Please list all related EBAs with coverage of the department.

- 2. Please list their starting and expiration dates.
- 3. What is the current status of negotiations for the next agreement/s? Please detail.

Answer:

The department has one enterprise agreement applying to its employees. This enterprise agreement commenced on 10 August 2012 and nominally expired on 30 June 2015.

The department commenced negotiating with employees, and the Community and Public Sector Union, on 12 June 2015 for a new enterprise agreement.

Since then, the department and bargaining representatives have met three times (i.e. 14 July 2015, 27 August 2015, and 28 October 2015). Logs of claims have been received and are currently being considered, and costed, by the department.

Further bargaining meetings will be scheduled when this process has been completed.