

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Senator: Senator Claire Moore

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Question:

It is on page 23 of the budget measures, the yellow one, which actually spells it out across the whole department. In the white one it is very neat and goes, 0.4, 0.4, 0.4. But in this one it has this little, quirky variation, and I just want to know why.

Answer:

The Budget Measures Table in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's 2014-15 PBS has been prepared according to the template and guidance provided within EM2014-10: 2014-15 Budget – Portfolio Budget Statements released by the Department of Finance on 18 March 2014.

The budget measure referred to above is Women's Leadership and Development Strategy – savings.

The variation between the 2014-15 Portfolio Budget Statement (the yellow one) and the Budget Paper No. 2 (the white one) is due to the 2014-15 PBS being represented in thousands of dollars, while Budget Paper No. 2 is shown in millions of dollars and rounded to a single decimal place.

Therefore \$390,000 will be represented in the PBS as \$390, while Budget Paper No. 2 will show the same amount as \$0.4.