

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee —  
Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2017**

**Answers to Questions on Notice**

**Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services**

Topic: **Library Staff Changes**

Question: **48**

Written: **Senator Kitching**

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 7 July 2017**

Are there any plans presently in motion to outsource, expand or reduce personnel numbers in either or both of the Research Branch or the Library Collections & Databases Branch? If so, please provide details about decision making, timeframes, numbers and desired outcomes.

**Answer**

No.

The Library may on occasion seek advice from external specialists, which may be on a pro bono basis or payment for specific for work done. This does not impact on staff numbers or functions.