

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing—November 2013**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary Departments: Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Ministerial Office Security Classifications**

Question No: **146**

Written: Senator Ludwig

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 17 January 2014

- 1) What is the policy for ministerial staff security clearances?
- 2) How many staffers employed by the government under the MOPS Act have security clearances?
 - a. At what level?
 - b. If not, why not?
- 3) How many seconded departmental officers acting in ministerial offices, including DLOs have security clearances?
 - a. At what level?
 - b. If not, why not?

Answer

Not applicable. DPS is a parliamentary department and does not have a Minister.