

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014-15**

**Finance Portfolio**

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**Topic:** Position of AEC Statistician

**Senator:** Ludwig

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**Question:**

**Senator LUDWIG:** As I said, I was just making sure I was accurate. You can think what you want as to whether it is a political point. I just wanted to know the facts. As well as the Electoral Commissioner position being vacant there is the non-judicial member. Is that still vacant?

**Senator Ronaldson:** As you know, by convention that is the statistician. I do not appoint the statistician. In relation to when that appointment might be, I am happy to take that on notice for you.

**Answer:**

The Government announced the appointment of the Australian Statistician on 12 December 2014.