

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

Finance Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of Finance

Outcome/Program: 3/3.1

Topic: Coalition Advisory Service

Senator: Jacinta Collins

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Question:

1. How many positions are allocated?
2. Of those, how many are currently occupied?
3. How many new contracts have been submitted for those positions since 7 September 2013?
4. Where are these staff based?
5. Do any of them have non-standard employment arrangements i.e. personal classifications or non-standard work bases?
6. What resources are provided to this unit?
7. What software is provided to this unit? Is anything provided outside of standard PCN allocation? If so, is any of this paid for by MaPS?
8. Are members of this unit required to travel interstate?
9. Can you please provide a list of all travel undertaken by members of this unit? Names aren't necessary if there are privacy issues, just dates, locations and number of nights.

Answer:

1. As at 31 October 2014 the staffing allocation is 11 positions.
2. As at 31 October 2014, eight of the 11 positions are occupied.
3. 10.
4. Canberra.
5. No.
6. Stationery and office supplies, newspapers, 1 x television, computer equipment, 1 x multi-function device and mobile phones.
7. The standard Microsoft suite.
 - a) No.
 - b) N/A.
8. Yes.
9. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.