Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee

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Senator: McAllister

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Question:

Senator McALLISTER: I am really interested in the way that your functions, as set out in relation to your position, are being performed. One of your functions is to inquire into and report on other matters relating to the Parliamentary Service at the request of the presiding officers. I am asking: since you became the Parliamentary Service Commissioner how often have presiding officers requested such a report? **Mr Lloyd:** I will take it on notice.

Senator McALLISTER: In doing so, would you be able to provide a list of reports provided to the presiding officers during your time as Parliamentary Service Commissioner and the date on which those reports were provided?

Mr Lloyd: I think I can do that, Senator, yes.

Answer:

Since December 2014, at the request of the Presiding Officers, the Parliamentary Service Commissioner has reported on the following matters:

- Termination of Secretary Department of Parliamentary Services, 31 March 2015
- Selection of Secretary Department of Parliamentary Services, 23 October 2015
- Baxter Review: assessment of the capacity of the Department of Parliamentary Services to fulfil its role in serving Parliament efficiently and effectively, 14 December 2015.