

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS

BUDGET ESTIMATES 2017

Attorney General's Department

Program: 1.4 Justice Services

Question No. BE17-116

Senator Kakoschke-Moore asked the following question on 02 June 2017:

In the Attorney-General's media release from the 17th of May, it notes that more supports are available for victims of DV in the courts.

- a. Which South Australian courts will be receiving more assistance?
- b. How many new positions have been created?
- c. What will those positions be? Lawyers or social workers?

The response to the honourable Senator's question is as follows:

a. In South Australia, Family Advocacy and Support Services (FASS) will be delivered in the Adelaide Family Law Courts Registry and at the Mount Gambier circuit sittings of the family law courts.

b. and c. The Legal Services Commission of South Australia is delivering the FASS and has created five new positions. The Commission employs three FTE duty lawyers and one FTE administrative worker. The Commission subcontracts Relationships Australia South Australia to provide one FTE social support worker.