

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: All
Output Group: All

DEST Question No. E288_05

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

Please provide details of breaches and disciplinary charges under departmental and agency codes of conduct since June 2003.

Answer:

Code of Conduct Matters

Between 1 July 2003 and 31 May 2004, twelve investigations have commenced into suspected breaches of the code of conduct.

Elements of the code of conduct suspected of being breached	The number of cases allegedly breaching the particular element of the code of conduct
Element 1 - Behave with honesty and integrity in the course of APS employment	1
Element 4 - Comply with all applicable Australian laws	1
Element 8 – Use Commonwealth resources in a proper manner	10

Cases have been recorded against the single primary element of the Code of Conduct suspected of having been breached, although other elements may have been involved.

Outcomes of the twelve investigations commenced between 1 July 2003 and 31 May 2004.

- One case – investigation ongoing.
- Five cases – not substantiated.
- Four cases – complete, sanctions imposed.
- Two cases – complete, staff member resigned.