

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
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Senator Mason asked on 20 October 2011 , Hansard page 11

Question

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Senator MASON: Is it also possible to know whether any DEEWR employees have been disciplined, demoted or terminated in the past two financial years as a result of fraud investigation? Ms Paul: Yes, we can give you that.

Answer

Within the past two financial years, two criminal matters were successfully prosecuted and had sentences imposed through the courts. One of these employees resigned from DEEWR before administrative action could be finalised.

The second employee and five other DEEWR employees were the subject of administrative investigations and were disciplined by way of a reprimand or fine or both.