

# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

## ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES – 9 FEBRUARY 2010 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

### Human Services Portfolio

**Topic:** Tasmanian Freight Equalisation Scheme

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**Senator:** ABETZ

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#### **Question:**

Senator ABETZ - I understand you have increased your staff level and I understand that the current figure of 601, which you have given the split on, may well be a lot better than it would have been in September, October and November last year. If you would take that on notice as well and give me a similar split-up, the figures will speak for themselves.

#### **Answer:**

The number of Tasmanian Freight Equalisation Scheme (TFES) claims on hand awaiting assessment during the period 30 September to 30 November 2009 inclusive is detailed in the table below. Data for the months ending September, October and November 2009 cannot be broken down by 'days since receipt' because the TFES information technology system cannot retrospectively provide breakdowns for these dates.

<b>30 Sep 2009</b>	<b>31 Oct 2009</b>	<b>30 Nov 2009</b>
1,655	1,354	1,212