

Question 8 Department of the Senate – Senator Ryan

- (a) **How will the efficiency dividend applied in the 2011-12 Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook be implemented in your agency/department?**

Department of the Senate	Budget 2012-13	FE1 2013-14	FE2 2014-15	FE3 2015-16
	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)
Previous appropriation base (from CBMS)	20,613	20,243	20,370	20,570
One off efficiency dividend rate	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%
Efficiency Dividend adjustment	(515)	(506)	(509)	(514)
Revised appropriation base	20,098	19,737	19,861	20,055

- (b) **What percentage of your budget must be cut?**

The impact of applying the efficiency dividend applied in the 2011-2 Mid-year Economic and Fiscal Outlook is an additional reduction of 2.5 percent.

- (c) **Will any staff position be cut to meet the efficiency dividend? If yes, provide details of where the positions are located, the classification, whether the position is ongoing or not.**

The department is still working through staffing implications (if there are to be any).

- (d) **Please list where and what spending has been reduced to meet the efficiency dividend.**

The department's preliminary planning focuses on reducing paper based products and services and relying more on electronic formats and processes.