

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2013-2014

Finance Portfolio

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Question:

1. How many Ministers have you had in the past three years before the election and in particular in the year preceding the election?
2. What costs or disruption have you faced from pre-election changes of Ministers, whether IT costs, preparation of new briefings, changes of style guides and information products to suit new Ministers?

Answer:

Department / Agency	Response
Finance	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Five in the three years before the election, with three in the year preceding the election. 2. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.
AEC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Three, with two being in the year preceding the election. 2. Staff costs in preparation of the 'Incoming Minister' AEC briefing is unable to be accurately specified.
ComSuper	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ComSuper reported to one Minister in the three years preceding the September 2013 election. 2. Nil.
Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CSC reported to one Minister in the three years preceding the September 2013 election. 2. Nil.
Future Fund Management Agency	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Future Fund's nominated Minister is the Minister for Finance. In the past three years before the election the position was filled by Senator the Hon Penny Wong. 2. Nil.