

**Senate Finance & Public Administration Committee:**  
**Answers to written Questions on Notice Budget Estimates 2013-14**  
**Parliamentary Departments Portfolio**

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**Department:** Parliamentary Budget Office

**Topic:** Staffing

**Senator:** Senator Scott Ryan

**Question reference number:** 52

**Type of question:** Written

**Question**

- a) **How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred this financial year to date? What was the reason for these reductions?**
- b) **Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.**
- c) **Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.**
- d) **If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.**
- e) **Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.**

**Answer**

- a) Nil.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) No.
- d) Not applicable.
- e) No.