

FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
QUESTIONS ON NOTICE—SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2017-18 – 23 October 2017
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Portfolio QoN No.	QoN No.	Agency	Senator who asked	Broad Topic	Question	Type of Question: Hansard Page & Hearing Date or Written	Due Date
1	1	President of the Senate	Senator WHISH-WILSON	Plastic water bottle use in committee hearings	Senator WHISH-WILSON: I don't think I need to say more. I will check with you next time. We have glass in front of us here, but when we go to various hotels around the country for Senate hearings—and there are thousands of meetings—has there been any discussion about having a unified or coded process to ask them to also provide glass rather than plastic bottles? What kind of process could we go through to— Mr Stefanic: That would be a matter for the Department of the Senate and the Department of the House of Representatives. It's not something that DPS has— Senator WHISH-WILSON: It's not something that DPS would look at. The President: I'm very happy to raise that matter with the Clerk for you.	Hansard Proof, 23 October 2017, F&PA Committee, page 32	8/12/17
2	2	Department of the Senate	Senator McALLISTER	Official travel	Senator McALLISTER: On notice, could provide please details of any official travel you have undertaken since the last budget estimates, including the reason for travel and the dates for travel? The President: Certainly	Hansard Proof, 23 October 2017, F&PA Committee, page 11	8/12/17
3	3	Department of the Senate	Senator ABETZ	Staff messages for holiday periods	Please provide the messages (if any) sent to staff (on the most recent occasions) of Christmas/New Year, Easter and Ramadan by the Secretary of the Department at the relevant time.	Written	8/12/17
4	4	Department of the Senate	Senator ABETZ	Enterprise Agreement negotiations	In the most recent Enterprise Agreement negotiations, was/were any side-agreement/s, protocol/s, arrangement/s, agreement/s entered into? If so, please provide a copy.	Written	8/12/17
5	5	Department of the Senate	Senator McALLISTER	Staff numbers	Please provide as at 30 June 2017: 1. ASL by state 2. Headcount of people employed as a. Labour Hire, b. Contractors, or c. outsourced staff, d. and the value of each of these contracts for the 2016-2017 financial year. 3. The total number of people who have a log in to the departmental IT system, and the breakdown by category of these log-ins (permanent, non-ongoing, casual, labour hire, outsourced, contractors, and any other category that has access to the system). 4. The total number of people who have a security/access pass into your departmental buildings, and the breakdown by category of these pass holders (permanent, non-ongoing, casual, labour hire, outsourced, contractors, and any other relevant category). 5. A list of organisations/companies that have staff who can log into your departmental IT system.	Written	8/12/17
6	6	Department of the Senate	Senator McALLISTER	Public Interactions	Does any part of your agency/department have a service delivery function, or which has face to face interactions with the public? If yes: 1. Do you provide staff with training on how to deal with client aggression or customers experiencing mental illness? 2. Please provide the dates and locations that training has been run over the last 5 years. 3. How many of your staff have received this training? How many in the last 2 years? 4. Who provides this training?	Written	8/12/17
7	7	Department of the Senate	Senator McALLISTER	Digital Transformation Agency projects	As at 31 October 2017: 1. What projects are you undertaking in conjunction with the Digital Transformation Agency? 2. For each project: a. What criteria are you using for assessing success? b. What is the role of the DTA in the project? c. What is the timeframe for completion?	Written	8/12/17
8	8	Department of the Senate	Senator WONG	Enterprise Bargaining	Can an update on the current status of the enterprise bargaining process for staff in the Department of the Senate be provided	Written	8/12/17
9	9	Department of the Senate	Senator WONG	Accessibility and development	a. What work has the Department of the Senate been doing to improve accessibility to Senate business documents, including estimates questions on notice. b. What further projects are in train for the future c. How are such technology developments funded, for example, do they come from within the existing departmental appropriation, new policy proposals, or some other method.	Written	8/12/17
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