

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** Cross Outcome - Across Programs

**Question No:** 170

**Topic:** Freedom of Information

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Ludwig** asked:

Does the department ever second additional resources to processing Freedom of Information requests?

- a. If so, please detail those resources by APS level.

**Answer:**

The Department has previously seconded additional resources to process Freedom of Information requests when a higher than usual number of requests was received.

Previous secondments have been for short periods of between six weeks to five months at the APS5 level.