

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

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Question No: 378

Program No. SBS

Hansard Ref: In writing

Topic: Redundancies

Senator Lundy asked:

1. Since 18 September 2013, how many positions have been made redundant in your Department/Agency?
 - a. How many of these positions were ongoing?
 - b. How many of these positions were non-ongoing?
 - c. How many of these positions were situated in the Australian Capital Territory?
2. How many of the employees filling these redundant positions were redeployed?
 - a. How many of these employees were ongoing?
 - b. How many of these employees were non-ongoing?
 - c. How many of these employees were situated in the Australian Capital Territory?
3. How many of these employees were offered voluntary redundancies?
 - a. How many of these employees were ongoing?
 - b. How many of these employees were non-ongoing?
 - c. How many of these employees were situated in the Australian Capital Territory?
4. How many accepted voluntary redundancies?
 - a. How many of these employees were ongoing?
 - b. How many of these employees were non-ongoing?
 - c. How many of these employees were situated in the Australian Capital Territory?
5. How many employees were offered the choice between a voluntary redundancy and redeployment?
 - a. How many of these employees were ongoing?
 - b. How many of these employees were non-ongoing?
 - c. How many of these employees were situated in the Australian Capital Territory?
6. For all employees who accepted voluntary redundancies please provide the following:
 - a. Their age.
 - b. Their gender.
 - c. A description of their position.
 - d. The APS classification level of their position.
 - e. Their wage.
 - f. Their contract type (non-ongoing versus ongoing).
 - g. Where they were located.
 - h. A dollar figure of their pay out and what component of that figure was paid out as entitlements (annual leave etc.).
 - i. The reason a voluntary redundancy was offered for their position.
 - j. Details pertaining to any other costs incurred by the Department/Agency because of this redundancy.
 - k. Please provide all relevant dates.

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7. For all employees who were redeployed please provide:
 - a. Their age.
 - b. Their gender.
 - c. A description of their position before and after redeployment.
 - d. The APS classification level of their position before and after redeployment.
 - e. Their wage before and after redeployment.
 - f. Contract type (non-ongoing versus ongoing) before and after redeployment.
 - g. Where they were located before and after redeployment.
 - h. Please provide the reason for the redeployment.
 - i. Please specify any other costs incurred by the Department/Agency because of this redeployment.
 - j. Please provide all relevant dates.
8. Since the 18 September 2013, how many employees in your Department/Agency have been made forcibly redundant?
 - a. How many of these employees were ongoing?
 - b. How many of these employees were non-ongoing?
 - c. How many of these employees were situated in the Australian Capital Territory?
9. How many of these employees were offered voluntary redundancies or redeployments prior to being made forcibly redundant?
 - a. How many of these employees were ongoing?
 - b. How many of these employees were non-ongoing?
 - c. How many of these employees were situated in the Australian Capital Territory?
10. For employees who were made forcibly redundant since the 18 September 2013 please provide:
 - a. Their age.
 - b. Their gender.
 - c. A description of their position.
 - d. The APS classification level of their position.
 - e. Their wage at retrenchment.
 - f. Their contract type (non-ongoing versus ongoing).
 - g. Where they were located.
 - h. A dollar figure of their pay out and what component of that figure was paid out as entitlements (annual leave etc.).
 - i. The reason why the employee was made forcibly redundant.
 - j. Details pertaining to any other costs incurred by the Department/Agency because of this redundancy.
 - k. Please provide all relevant dates.

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Answer:

1. 4
 - a. 2
 - b. 2
 - c. 0
2. 0
3. 0 - SBS does not offer enterprise wide voluntary redundancies
4. N/A
5. 0 - SBS does not offer enterprise wide voluntary redundancies
6. N/A
7. N/A
8. 4
 - a. 2
 - b. 2
 - c. 0
9. N/A
10. Between 18 September 2013 and 20 April 2014 four employees were made forcibly redundant. To provide further details would be a breach of confidentiality to those employees. They are not APS employees.