

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Agency - Workplace Gender Equality Agency

Department of Employment Question No. EM0313_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing

Question

WGEA – Senate Estimates briefings

- 1) How many officers were responsible for preparing the department, agency, Minister or representing Minister's briefing pack for the purposes of senate estimates?
- 2) How many officer hours were spent on preparing that information? a. Please break down the hours by officer APS classification
- 3) Were drafts shown to the Minister or their office before senate estimates? a. If so, when did this occur? b. How many versions of this information were shown to the minister or their office?
- 4) Did the minister or their office make any contributions, edits or suggestions for departmental changes to this information?
 - a. If so, when did this occur?
 - b. What officer hours were spent on making these edits? Please break down the hours by officer APS classification.
 - c. When were the changes made?
- 5) Provide each of the contents page of the Department/Minister/representing Minister's Senate Estimates folder prepared by the department for the Additional Estimates hearings in February 2014.

Answer

- 1)-2) Five EL2 staff were responsible for putting together the Senate Estimates brief for the Workplace Gender Equality Agency. No records were kept of the time spent on this task.
- 3) No
 - a. Not applicable.
 - b. Not applicable.
- 4) Not applicable.
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 - b. Not applicable.
 - c. Not applicable.
- 5) Details of the Agency brief are confidential and so not made publicly available.