

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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

Agency - Safe Work Australia

Department of Employment Question No. EM0526_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

SWA - Staffing reductions

a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 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. f) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date? What classification were these staff? g) How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date? What classification were these staff? h. What are the voluntary redundancy packages offered? Please detail for each staff level and position i. How do the packages differ from the default public service package? j. How is the department/agency funding the packages?

Answer

- a) No staff reductions or voluntary redundancies have occurred at Safe Work Australia since February 2014.
- b) Not applicable
- c) No
- d) Not applicable
- e) No
- f) One Executive Level 2 staff member resigned.
- g) Two non-ongoing APS5 level staff left Safe Work Australia when their contracts expired.
- h) Not applicable
- i) Not applicable
- j) Not applicable