

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Cross Portfolio - Corporate

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000980

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked on 21 October 2015, Proof Hansard page 6

MoG: Number of staff that originally transferred to DSS

Question

Senator URQUHART: How many staff moved to the Department of Social Services as a result of the previous reshuffle?

Ms Paul: We probably have answered that before. I am not sure we would have that with us now. I imagine we have either answered that during evidence or on notice.

Ms Monkley: I think we have answered that previously. I think we might have an answer coming.

Ms Paul: I do not know the form in which we answered this. I would actually like to check this. I am not sure what the form of answer was. What I have got in front of me is that there was a headcount that moved in December of 409, or 387 full-time equivalents, but that is not the form that we would have given in evidence. I will put it on the record now, but I would like to check it.

Senator URQUHART: My understanding is that in previous estimates it was around 400 to 450.

Ms Paul: There you go. That matches.

Senator URQUHART: You do not have the specific numbers?

Ms Paul: Not from February. That is two estimates ago. I am sorry. Unless you have got a reference that we might be able to find while we go through. Have you got a question on notice number?

Senator URQUHART: I would have thought that you would have known how many people had been reshuffled.

Ms Paul: That is two estimates ago, and I have given you numbers, which I suspect are fine, but I just am saying that I do not ever want to mislead, and therefore I would just like to check. That is all. We might be able to check while we are going here if it was a question on notice. I do not know whether it is a question on notice or whether it was in Hansard.

Answer

Refer to answer in SQ15-000912.