

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee  
—Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2016**

**Answers to Questions on Notice**

**Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services**

Topic: **Enterprise Bargaining Agreements (EBAs)**

Question: **222**

Written: **Senator Ludwig**

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 1 April 2016**

1. Please list all related EBAs with coverage of the department.
2. Please list their starting and expiration dates.
3. What is the current status of negotiations for the next agreement/s? Please detail.

**Answer**

1. The Department of Parliamentary Services Enterprise Agreement 2011.
2. The DPS Enterprise Agreement 2011 commenced on 30 September 2011 and has a nominal expiry date of 30 June 2014.
3. DPS issued the Notice of Employee Representation Rights on 5 November 2014 and held its first bargaining meeting in December 2014. Since that time, DPS has held a series of bargaining meetings and is continuing to meet with bargaining representatives to develop an agreement acceptable to the majority of employees.