

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2017**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Enterprise bargaining for cleaners**

Question: **72**

Written **Senator Wong**

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 13 April 2017

1. Given the answer to question on notice indicates the contract with Limro is due to expire on 30 June 2018, when does the Department of Parliamentary Services expect to go to market for a new contract?
2. Will it be a requirement of the new contract that the contractor must guarantee increases in the rates of pay for the cleaners?

Answer

1. The Department of Parliamentary Services will conduct a review of current cleaning requirements and conduct an approach to market within the 2017 calendar year.
2. Any contract resulting from an approach to the market for internal cleaning services will contain standard Commonwealth contractual clauses requiring suppliers to comply with all relevant Australian Standards, legislative and regulatory requirements, including those specific to pay and working conditions for the applicable industry.