

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014-15

Finance Portfolio

Department/Agency: All
Outcome/Program: General
Topic: Contracts for Temporary Staff

Senator: Ludwig
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Question:

Since Budget Estimates in May 2014:

1. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or contract staff?
2. How many temporary or contract staff have been employed?
3. What is the total number of temporary or contract staff currently employed?
4. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff?
5. Have there been any changes to the policies/criteria that govern the appointment of contract staff?

Answer:

For the period 28 May 2014 to 31 October 2014:

Department/ Agency	Response
Finance	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$2,717,443 for contract staff and nil for temporary (non-ongoing) staff. 2. 23 new contractors and nil temporary (non-ongoing) staff have been employed. 3. 35 contractors and 11 temporary (non-ongoing) staff. 4. Nil. 5. No.
Australian Electoral Commission	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$1,552,751.85. 2. 53. 3. 25. 4. \$19,927.22. 5. No.
ComSuper	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ComSuper spent \$2,562,129 on 28 contract staff. 2. ComSuper employed two new contract staff. 3. Currently, ComSuper has 28 contract staff. 4. Nil. ComSuper uses panel arrangements for these recruitments and no fees is applicable under these arrangements.

Department/ Agency	Response
	5. ComSuper has a process in place for the appointment of any contract/temporary/permanent staff where approval is needed from a SubCommittee of Senior Executives.
Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$112,861. 2. Three. 3. One. 4. No payment. 5. No.
Future Fund Management Agency	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$215,760. 2. 13. 3. Two. 4. Nil. 5. No.