

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Tourism and Resources Portfolio
Budget Estimates Hearing 2007-08
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES

TOPIC: Portfolio Budget Statement issues – staffing levels and program management

REFERENCE: Written Question

QUESTION No. B1-29

Senator Campbell asked:

Refer to page 47 of the PBS: Administered appropriations have increased, meanwhile Departmental appropriations have been cut. If administered appropriations are rising while program management in particular is being cut, how can the department be sure that the money is being spent appropriately?

ANSWER

Overall Program Management Services appropriations for Outcomes 1 and 2 are increasing in 2007-08. The details on page 47 are in relation to Outcome 2 only. The attribution of Departmental funding of outcomes is based upon estimates of effect and overhead attributions.