

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**TREASURY**

**Australian Taxation Office**

Supplementary Budget Estimates 3 November 2005

**Outcome**

**Topic: Superannuation guarantee enforcement**

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Senator Sherry asked:

**Senator SHERRY**—Just coming back to SG enforcement for a moment briefly, has the tax office put extra resources into SG enforcement over this calendar year, or is it intending to put extra resources?

*Ms Vivian*—We have put in some resources. Our compliance approach this year has been both in terms of direct audits actioning the complaints but also about putting in some resources across our field force in terms of their visits that they are undertaking and trying to get some wider coverage there and looking at SG.

*Mr Carmody*—I think we did get additional resources from government over a two-staged period that we have been putting into this work.

**Senator SHERRY**—Can you recall what the extra resources are?

*Mr Carmody*—No, but we have provided details to you before, because I remember answering questions on it before. We can provide it again, if you would like it.

**Senator SHERRY**—Since that date, Mr Brough has given a speech about extra resources and a crackdown on SG payments that are reported in the ASPA newsletter.

*Mr Carmody*—As I said, we got additional resources from government. I do not have it in my head exactly what they were. We can provide that to you.

Answer:

The Tax Office received funding for an additional 26 people in the 2004/05 financial year in order to action more complaints received from employees regarding insufficient superannuation guarantee support from their employer. For the 2005/06 financial year, the Tax Office received funding for an additional 34 people to further action this work.