

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

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Question: SBT 54

Topic: Administrative Arrangements Order

Senator Bushby asked:

Can you detail what changes have occurred in your portfolio as a result of the Administrative Arrangements Orders published on 14 September 2010.

Were there any costs associated with these changes (for example changes to departmental signage or whether refurbishment or additional space will need to be leased to accommodate new staff. Alternatively, will agencies be left with empty office space due to loss of staff). Please provide details

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Can you describe what, if any, Administrative Arrangements Orders occurred in your portfolio between November 2007 and July 2010? Please detail the costs associated with these.

Answer:

As a result of the 14 September 2010 Administrative Arrangements Orders, the population strategy function transferred from the Treasury to the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (SEWPAC).

There were no changes or costs for signage or office space with this change for the Treasury.

Treasury staff working on population strategy have been temporarily seconded to SEWPAC and will return to the Treasury by the end of 2010-11.

There were no changes to the Treasury as a result of the 14 October 2010 Administrative Arrangements Orders.

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As a result of Administrative Arrangements Orders between November 2007 and July 2010, the regulation reform agenda – coordination of implementation measure transferred from Treasury to the Department of Finance and Deregulation. The cost was \$0.3 million per annum. This is shown in the Treasury's 2007-08 Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements on page 12.