Senate Standing Committee on Economics ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio
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Question No: SBT 298 - 300

Topic: ABS Paid Parental Leave

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Senator Bushy asked:

- 298. Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
- 299. For the year 2010-11 list which portfolio department and agencies are providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
 - a) Please list how many staff are in receipt of these payments.
- 300. For the FYTD list which portfolio department and agencies are providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
 - a) Please list how many staff are in receipt of these payments.

Answer:

- 298. The Paid Parental Leave scheme is administered by the Family Assistance Office. Eligibility is based on a number of factors, including an individual's adjusted taxable income, the length of time a person has been employed, and whether or not that person is the primary carer. This information is not available within the ABS for each employee.
- 299. For the 2010-2011 financial year, there were two employees who were in receipt of these payments.
- 300. For the 2011-2012 financial year to date (that is to end of October 2011) there were 10 staff in receipt of these payments.