

**Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Commonwealth Ombudsman Office**

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**Question: PM 56**

**Topic: Monitoring of Water in Departments and Agencies**

**Senator Wong asked:**

1. Is there any requirement to provide details of how much water is used and how much water is saved in the annual reports of each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?
2. Is water usage monitored for each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?
3. What is the water usage for each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?
4. For each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio, can information be provided on whether dual flush toilets are in place in the buildings they occupy?

**Answer:**

1. Water use is not required to be measured or reported in agency Annual Reports.
2. No.
3. Water usage data is not collected in this agency.
4. Dual flush toilets are in place in only one of this agency's six location buildings, that being in Canberra.