

# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

## ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES – 9 FEBRUARY 2010 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

### Human Services Portfolio

**Topic:** Fraud Investigation

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**Senator:** FIFIELD

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**Question:**

Senator FIFIELD – Within each initiative there would be staff who would be dedicated to fraud prevention and detection?

Mr Withnell – Certainly there are staff who are dedicated to fraud and would be dedicated to administrative review. .... That can often be made up of a number of initiatives. I do not have the total number of staff, say, who are involved in fraud investigation at this point in time.

Senator FIFIELD – Would you be able to take that on notice? ... If you would not mind taking that on notice, maybe go back to 2007, 2008 and 2009 regarding people who are involved in that.

**Answer:**

The number of employees dedicated to fraud detection activities are:

Financial Year	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Staff Numbers*	533	516	422

\* Average staffing level (ASL)