

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Finance and Administration

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Question: F14

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Senator Ray asked:

Senator ROBERT RAY—The easier way to ask this is: when was the adviser's position abolished and when was the new position of adviser created? What is the timing? Then we might be able to understand.

Mr Edge—I would have to take that on notice. We should be able to get the answer for you quite quickly. I just do not have the information here.

Answer:

The reduction of one in the number of Adviser positions was the result of a reclassification of the position to a Senior Adviser classification on 16 February 2004.

A new position at the Adviser classification was created on 28 April 2004.