

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

CSS/PSS Board

Budget Estimates Hearings, 25-26 May 2005

Question: F68

Outcome: CSS/PSS Board

Topic: Efficiency Dividend

Written Question on Notice: 6 June 2005

Senator Carr asked:

1. What financial impact will the increased efficiency dividend have on your Department/Agency this financial year and in the out years?
2. The increase in the efficiency dividend was announced in last year's elections, what plans have you made to meet it?
3. What will this mean for staff numbers?
4. Will any specific programs be cut? Please specify which ones and the size of the estimated savings?
5. Will any core functions be affected by these savings measures?
6. How will meeting the efficiency dividend affect your graduate recruitment plans?
7. How will meeting the efficiency dividend affect your ability to retain experienced staff?

Answer:

The PSS Board does not receive any appropriations and was, therefore, not subject to the efficiency dividend.