

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Human Services Portfolio

CRS Australia

Budget Estimates 26 May 2005

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SENATOR CARR asked the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services, upon notice, on 26 May 2005:

Efficiency Dividend

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:

There is no specific appropriation for CRS Australia, therefore the efficiency dividend does not apply.