Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Human Services and agencies

Budget Estimates 2005-2006, 26 May 2005

Question: HS68

Outcome 1, Output 1

Topic: Core Department – Increase in efficiency dividend

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SENATOR CARR asked on 26/05/2005:

- 1. What is the total value of the 1.25 per cent efficiency dividend that Human Services will now have to hand back to Government in each of the next four financial years?
- 2. Please provide a full breakdown of how the 1.25 per cent worth of efficiencies will be funded?
- 3. Will there have to be any staff cuts within the Department itself? If so, please indicate how many staff will be affected.
- 4. Will there have to be staff cuts in the CSA or the CRS? If so, please indicate how many staff will be affected.

Answer:

1. Please refer to <u>page 16</u> of the Portfolio Budget Statements 2005-06, Department of Human Services, Finance and Administration Portfolio.

 $(\underline{http://www.humanservices.gov.au/modules/resources/reports/DHSPortfolioBudgetStatement}\ \underline{s.pdf})$

- 2. The efficiencies will be funded by a managed reduction in supplier expenses.
- 3. No.
- 4. For CSA, refer to the answer for HS56. For CRS, refer to the answer for HS57.