

# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee —Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2011

## Answers to Questions on Notice

### Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Workpoint space**

Question: **18**

Written **Senator Fifield**

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 8 July 2011**

- (a) For each portfolio department and agency office please list the occupied workpoint space allocated per person.
- (b) Does this adhere to the Government's Commonwealth Property Management Guidelines (the Guidelines)? Explain.
  - I. If yes, please explain if any refurbishment was required to meet the Guidelines and what the costs were.
    - a. What savings did each portfolio department and agency achieve by meeting the Guidelines? Please itemise each portfolio department and agency separately.
    - b. How much of these savings has each portfolio department and agency kept? Please itemise each portfolio department and agency separately.
  - II. If no, please give details why it does not, including whether an exemption has been received by the Finance Minister.
    - a. What funding has been taken from each portfolio department and agency because they do not meet the Guidelines? Please itemise each portfolio department and agency separately.
- (c) Are there plans to meet the Guidelines? Please explain.

### **Answer**

- (a) Not applicable. There are a large number of DPS staff who are not office based.
- (b) Where new office accommodation is fitted out—such as in the area behind the Staff Dining Room—DPS complies with the Government guidelines.
- (c) Not applicable.