

**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: F53 & F54**

**Outcome 3, Output 3.1**

**Topic: MOPS Staff Salaries**

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**Senator Faulkner asked:**

How many reviews and salary increases have there been since July 1999 for those four Principal Advisers? Were they increased in April this year? Can you compare those with any senior opposition staff if you want to put in a balancing factor.

**Answer:**

Two principal advisors have received 2 salary increases each, the first in August 2000 and the second in April 2002. A further two principal advisors have received one salary increase each in April 2002.

Three Opposition staff have received one increase each in March 2002.

The Leader of the Opposition has recently proposed salary reviews for a further 6 senior Opposition staff to take effect from the 12 month anniversary in their current position. These are currently being considered.