

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Parliament Portfolio**

**Department of the Senate**

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2003-2004, 3 – 4 November 2003

**Question: P4**

**Topic: Positions for parliamentary secretaries**

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Senator Faulkner asked:

Senator FAULKNER—Are you aware, Mr Evans, whether positions for secretaries of parliamentary departments are advertised internally—government gazettes, this sort of thing?

Mr Evans—I am not aware of what processes have been followed in past cases. I would need to check that. It is not something on which I have information available to me.

Senator FAULKNER—I would be interested to know about the pattern, but I accept what the President has said.

The PRESIDENT—If there is any more up-to-date information, I will get back to you on that.

Senator FAULKNER—I am sure the committee would be interested if there is any more information.

The PRESIDENT—Certainly.

Answer:

The heads of the following parliamentary departments commenced on the dates indicated:

<b>Clerk of the Senate</b> — not advertised	<b>Mr Harry Evans</b>	<b>18 February 1988</b>
<b>Secretary JHD</b> — not advertised	<b>Mr Mike Bolton</b>	<b>12 September 1986</b>
<b>Secretary DPRS</b> — not advertised	<b>Mr John Templeton</b>	<b>15 March 1990</b>
<b>Acting Secretary DPL</b> — The position of Parliamentary Librarian was advertised in November 1995 and interviews were conducted in December 1995. Due to the whole of parliament \$10m budget cuts in 1996, no further action was taken in relation to the position.	<b>Mr John Templeton</b>	<b>16 September 1991</b>