

Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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- a) How much time is spent preparing papers/submissions for Cabinet and Sub-Cabinet Committee meetings?
- b) How often must papers/submissions for Cabinet and Sub-Cabinet Committee Meetings be redrafted or relogged? Please provide example of why this would happen. (i.e. last minute policy changes or redate papers due to items not being discussed when initially scheduled).

Answer:

a) & b)

Drafting submissions for Cabinet and Sub-Cabinet Committees is core business for the Department and records are not kept of time spent drafting these documents. Each Cabinet submission is drafted when required, using as many hours as is required.