

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of Finance and Deregulation

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Topic: Additional personal employees under the *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984*

Senator: Ryan

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Question:

On Page 199, section 2 of Budget Paper No. 2, the Government has announced that it will spend \$7.2 million over 5 years on a total of 10 new Government and Non-Government staff. How many of these 10 positions will be employed on the Government side?

- a) As \$700,000 has been allocated for the current financial year, can you confirm that these appointments have already been made for the Government side?
- b) How many staff will be employed on the non-Government side?
 - i. By each Independent member of the House of Representatives
 - ii. By each independent Senator

Answer:

- a) and b) Please refer to the response provided to question F37.