

**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE**  
**Question Taken on Notice**

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**To:** Hon Chansey Paech

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**QUESTION**

Chargeable hours were quite a bit lower than the previous year, by about 2,500 hours. What are the reasons why those hours might be down by a significant amount?

**ANSWER**

Due to the number of vacant positions, the division also experienced an increase in personal leave due to COVID.