

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Higgins to the Minister for Public Employment:

Appropriation Bill – Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment

Please provide copies of:

- All questions, which you have received from the public in relation to the Estimates process and consideration of the Appropriation Bill for the 2017/18 financial year; and
- the answers to those questions that were presented to the Estimates Committee.

Please provide the information requested below for Agencies and Government authorities for which have responsibility, as at 31 March 2017.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

Please accept apologies if questions are not under the correct Output. Where this is the case, it would be appreciated if you could indicate the appropriate Output in your response. Thank You.

OUTPUT GROUP: EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

OUTPUT: WORKFORCE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

1. The Treasurer announced \$55 million cut to the public service in financial year 2017/18 and \$96 million cut to the public service in financial year 2018/19. How do these savings measures translate into a reduction in jobs and/or positions?
2. How many overall reductions in positions have occurred in the public service?
3. How many positions will not be renewed through natural attrition?
4. How many temporary contracts will not be renewed?
5. How many public servants are currently 'inoperative'?
6. How many public servants are currently 'unattached'?

7. How long have these public servants been unattached and what is the likelihood of these public servants being found a permanent position?

OUTPUT: PUBLIC SECTOR APPEALS AND GRIEVANCE REVIEWS

1. How many grievances and appeals have been lodged in the 2016/17 financial year, to date?
2. What has been the cost to Government of the grievances and appeals lodged for the 2016/17 financial year, to date?
3. Why has there been a reduction in funding for financial year 2017/18 for this area when compared with the previous year?

OUTPUT GROUP: CORPORATE AND GOVERNANCE

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Staffing

The next questions are further to the answers provided in response to the Global Questions on staffing:

1. How many Full Time Equivalents are currently employed within this Agency, broken down by Output and Business Unit?
2. How many Full Time Equivalents have resigned, retired, taken a redundancy package or been made redundant, or terminated? Please break these numbers by Output and Business Unit>
3. What has happened to these positions? Has the work been reallocated to existing staff?
4. Are there any plans to fill these positions in the near future?
5. Which Enterprise Bargaining Agreements are due for negotiations in the 2017/18 financial year?
6. What is the anticipated timetable for the negotiations for the Enterprise Bargaining Agreements that are due to be renewed in 2017/18?
7. Will Police, Fire and Emergency Services personnel be subject to the wages increase cap announced by the Government in the Budget?