

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Higgins for the Minister for Local Government, Housing and Community Development:

LGHCD Department Workforce Issues

1. Which 10 positions (FTE) are being lost under the whole of government efficiencies identified by the Department to save \$5.7m (root and branch, p2)?
2. In BP3 p141, \$1m in savings is identified through “workforce sustainability savings” – please provide some detail on precisely what that means.
3. How many executive contract officers are in the Department? How many have been cut and from what areas?
4. From the answers to the Global Questions, it appears there are 83 additional FTEs including three more ECO2s, five more SAO1s and four more AO7s for the timeframe compared to the same timeframe from last year. Please explain the staffing increase.
5. From the answers to the Global Questions, why do you have 52 more supernumerary positions?
6. From the answers to the Global Questions, your consultancy expenses were up by \$1.49 million – why is that so?
7. From the answers to the Global Questions, there is an “ongoing” claim of \$10,768.65 from 2013/14 under “vehicle incidents and others”. Why hasn’t this been resolved?
8. From the answers to the Global Questions, there were six stress related reported incidents costing \$122,381 – were any of these related to bullying within the agency?