

VOLUNTARY TARGETED SEPARATION SCHEME

772. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the minister representing the Treasurer:

I refer to the government's budget measure to cut 3 000 full-time equivalent positions from the public sector.

- (1) Have the 3000 full-time equivalent positions to be reduced across the public sector been identified?
- (2) If yes, can the Treasurer list the targeted reductions in FTE positions by relevant departments, agencies and authorities?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) The voluntary targeted separation scheme is open to all general government agencies and each application for a separation will be assessed on its merits. The 2018–19 *Budget Statements* is expected to include information on the number of actual separations finalised by each agency.
- (2) The number of offers accepted under the scheme will determine the agency allocation and associated savings. As noted in response to (1), details will be included in the 2018–19 *Budget Statements*.