

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE
(Of which some notice has been given)

Wednesday, 19 November 2014

Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Disability Services.

1. Can the Minister confirm that Disability Services is currently employing 90 to 100 disability support workers through the Labour Hire firm - Ranstad - at a monthly cost of \$750,000, and if yes:
 - a. How long will these Labour Hire disability support workers be employed by the agency?
 - b. How much money has the Department paid to Ranstad
 2. How many employees in total does the Department of Disability Services employ through Labour Hire firms?
 3. How much money does the department spend a month on Labour Hire firms?
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I thank the Hon. Member for some notice of this question.

1. The Commission is currently employing 74 disability support workers at an approximate cost of \$600,000, however this fluctuates month to month.
 - (a) This is still to be determined as the accommodation transition process progresses, however the use of Labour Hire disability support workers is foreseeable at least for the next 12 months.
 - (b) The Disability Services Commission has paid \$2.5m to Ranstad from 1 July 2014 to 31 October 2014.
2. The Disability Services Commission currently employs 94 employees through Labour Hire firms.
3. The Disability Services Commission has spent approximately \$795,000 a month on Labour Hire from July to October 2014.

Minister

Mr President

I would like to provide an answer to the Hon. Kate Doust's question without notice no. 1256 asked on 19 November 2014.