

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE — EFFICIENCY DIVIDEND

6005. Hon Linda Savage to the Minister for Commerce

- (1) Will the efficiency dividend in the 2012–2013 Budget for the Department of Commerce be reflected in any reduction in funding for the Labour Relations/Work Life Balance/Pay Equity Unit section of the department, and if the answer is not available now, when will it be?
- (2) How much funding has been allocated to the Pay Equity Unit in the 2012–2013 Budget, and if the answer is not available now, when will it be?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

- (1) The efficiency dividend in the 2012–13 budget for the Department of Commerce has not resulted in reduced funding for the Pay Equity Unit.
- (2) The budget for the Pay Equity Unit in 2012–13 is \$104 073. An increase of \$4,329.