

CHILD PROTECTION — AGENCIES — VOLUNTARY TARGETED SEPARATION SCHEME

1507. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services:

Regarding the implementation of the Voluntary Targeted Separation Scheme (VTSS) separations for each agency under the Minister's control, I ask for the following information:

- (a) a table outlining the number of positions, position title, substantive level, and value of the separation entitlements paid as at 30 June 2018;
- (b) an indication of departmental/agency performance as at 30 June 2018, against the original VTSS targeted established; and
- (c) how many and which particular positions are targeted for separation over the forward estimates?

Hon Sue Ellery replied:

This answer covers multiple Ministers' portfolios, including Disability Services, Volunteering, Seniors and Ageing, Housing, Youth, Veterans Issues, as well as Child Protection, Women's Interests, Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence and Community Services portfolios.

The Voluntary Targeted Separation Scheme (VTSS) is a Budget repair tool whilst also assisting workforce renewal by enabling agencies to retain 20% of the savings. The VTSS is open to all general government employees, though priority is being given to agencies impacted by the Machinery of Government changes (which took effect from 1 July 2017). The VTSS, once fully implemented, is expected to save in excess of \$150 million annually across Government.

- (a) [See tabled paper no 1793.]
- (b)–(c) Refer to answer in Legislative Council Question on Notice 1523.