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Inquiry into future of the working week ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 25 May 2023

Asked by Mr Davis MLA on 25 May 2023: Mr Barr MLA took on notice the following question:

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MR DAVIS: But, I suppose I am asking, for the purpose of this committee identifying both the need for a four-day work week and how to do a four-day work week, unless interested in those people who work for the service who applied for a part-time job and have a part-time job, and are more interested in how many people have you recruited for fulltime jobs that are now working less than fulltime hours, due to an arrangement they have made with their boss?

Mr Barr: That would be a very small number. But we could—

MR DAVIS: Okay.

Mr Barr: —see what information we can provide. Yes.

MR DAVIS: That would be great. So that is an on notice? Just to confirm.

Mr Barr: Yes. We will take that on notice.

Andrew Barr MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

There are nil employees in the ACT Public Service who are employed full time hours (ie 36.75 or 38 hours per week) who work less than full time hours but receive full pay. There are flexible working arrangements that exist across the Service where employees may work longer hours on certain days in order to take one day off through compressed work week, flextime or toil arrangements. These employees are still expected to complete their full-time hours of work for the week.

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By the Chief Minister, Andrew Barr MLA