

Question on Notice

No. 1061

Asked on 15 October 2015

MR COSTIGAN asked the Minister for Disability Services, Minister for Seniors and Minister Assisting the Premier on North Queensland (HON C O'ROURKE)—

QUESTION

With reference to High Risk IT Systems (HRITS) overseen by the portfolio, will the Minister provide a breakdown of (a) all HRITS as at 13 February 2015 and 13 October 2015, (b) the reasons for any changes between these dates, (c) the number of FTE positions assigned to systems at the dates in (a), (d) the definition of a high risk system, (e) the number of contractors/consultancies associated with each of these projects that have been terminated, and the number that have not been renewed (f) the cost to agencies associated with each contractors/consultancies termination, (g) the revised or amended timeframe for project delivery resulting from the termination or non-renewal of an existing contractor/consultancy, (h) the number of FTE positions created within agencies to cover the termination or non-renewal of an existing contractor/consultancy agreement to ensure project delivery, and (i) the number of project contracts which were terminated/not renewed that have been re-advertised?

ANSWER

There is no category of “high risk IT systems” (HRITS) as such under the Queensland Government ICT Profiling Standard.

For the purposes of this question, a HRITS is taken to mean an at-risk ICT system.

The following definition for an at-risk ICT system, is contained in the Queensland Government ICT Profiling Standard:

“An at-risk ICT system refers to a significant application, technology service or group of related technology assets assessed from a whole-of-department perspective as posing a ‘High’ or ‘Extreme’ risk to the business. An ICT system is typically an organised collection of hardware, software, equipment, policies, procedures and people that store, process, control and provide access to information. For example, this may include a Human Resource (HR) system used to process payroll, a radio network used to transmit public safety information, etc.

ICT risk refers to the business risk associated with the use, ownership, operation, involvement, influence and adoption of ICT within the department.”

The portfolio of Disability Services and Seniors did not have any High Risk IT Systems as at 13 February 2015 or 13 October 2015, therefore the response to parts (b), (c), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i) is nil.