

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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Question: SBT 1196-1200

Topic: Media Subscriptions (ABS)

Written: Received from Committee – 26 October 2012

Senator BUSHBY asked:

1196. Has there been any change to your pay TV subscription since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012)
- If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels.
 - What is the cost for this financial year to date (26 October 2012)?
1197. Has there been any change to your newspaper subscriptions since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012)
- If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers.
 - What is the cost for this financial year to date (26 October 2012)?
1198. Has there been any change to your magazine subscriptions since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012)
- If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines.
 - What is the cost for this financial year to date (26 October 2012)?
1199. What was the 2011-12 cost for:
- TV subscriptions
 - Newspaper subscriptions
 - Magazine subscriptions
1200. Does the department/agency provide any media subscriptions to its Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries? If yes, provide details of what is provided and the cost this financial year to date (26 October 2012) and for 2011-12.

Answer:

1196. No.

1197. Yes.

- The no. of printed newspapers subscribed to has reduced in favour of available electronic news services. Total estimated year cost is \$20284.

Newspapers purchased include:

- The Australian Financial Review
- The Australian
- The Advocate
- The Age

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- The Courier Mail
- The Daily Telegraph
- The Herald Sun
- The Mercury
- Tasmanian Country
- The Sunday Examiner
- The Sydney Morning Herald
- The Weekly Times
- The Indigenous Times
- The Koori Mail

b. Year to Date Costs = \$11584

1198. Yes.

a. The no. of magazines subscribed to has decreased.

Magazines cost is \$663

Magazines purchased:

- Business Review Weekly
- Smart Investor
- Human Capital
- Techlife
- Australian PC User

b. Cost for this financial year to date (26 October 2012) is \$663.

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- a. TV subscriptions: \$0
- b. Newspaper subscriptions: \$40544
- c. Magazine subscriptions: \$1054

1200. No.