

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** Farrell

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**Question:**

**Senator FARRELL:** With Senator Duniam setting up in Devonport, it would seem that there is only one Liberal Senate electorate office, that of Senator Abetz, left in southern Tasmania. Would that be correct?

**Senator Ryan:** I am trying to raid my memory here, but there may be private offices as well.

**Ms McGregor:** Yes.

**Senator Ryan:** Many senators and members utilise the provision of a privately funded office. Do we normally disclose those? I will take that on notice, but I do recall some requests for private offices.

**Answer:**

As at 28 February 2017, there are two Liberal Senate electorate offices in southern Tasmania: Senator Abetz and Senator Bushby.

The establishment of a privately funded office is not a matter for the Department of Finance.