

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-14, 20 November 2013**

**Question: E13-081**

**OUTCOME:** 0 - Whole of Portfolio

**Topic:** Functions

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Ludwig

**Question:**

- 1) Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister. Include:
  - a) The guest list of each function
  - b) The party or individual who initiated the request for the function
  - c) The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function
  - d) A list of drinks consumed at the function
- 2) Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order in the Minister's office.

**Answer:**

The Ministers hospitality functions are listed in the following table:

<b>Payment Date</b>	<b>Department/Agency</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Cost of Hospitality (GST exclusive)</b>
24 & 29 Oct 13	Department of Health	Department of Health, Canberra	Departmental meetings with Ministers	\$190

1a) – d) and 2)

The Department of Health's corporate systems do not allow for the requested information to be collected in one report. To provide the level of detail requested would involve an unreasonable diversion of resources which the Department is not currently in a position to undertake.