

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

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**Question: AET 1160**

**Topic:           Taxi Costs**

**Written:        Received from Committee – 22 February 2013**

**Senator BUSHBY asked:**

1160. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis this financial year to date (22 February 2013)? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.

a.           What are the reasons for taxi costs?

**Answer:**

1160. The total cost of taxi travel for the financial year to date 1 July 2012 to 28 February 2013 is \$500,519 (exclusive of GST). All taxi travel is incurred for business purposes and is undertaken on the basis of efficient, effective, economical and ethical use of Commonwealth resources.