

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question: AET 434

Topic: Internet

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Senator BUSHBY asked:

434. Has the Department experienced any internet problems, such as but not limited to slow internet, or internet blackouts? If yes, what was the reason for this? Did it impact the Minister's office?

Answer:

434. A hacking attempt, known as a distributed Denial of Service attack, caused reduced speed and loss of connection at 1:23am on 10 September 2012 for 65 minutes. The Minister's office does not receive ICT support from the agency, so there was no impact.