Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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13 - 14 February 2013

Question: AET 644

Topic: Commissioned Reports

Written: Received from Committee – 22 February 2013

Senator BUSHBY asked:

- 644. How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency this financial year to date (22 February 2013)? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.
 - a. How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level?
 - b. What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?

Answer:

644. 1 (one)

Report on State Revenue Sharing Relativities 2013 Update

Terms of Reference received 8 March 2013 and sent to Australian govt./States 12 March 2013.

- a) The reproduction of the report will cost less than \$1,000.00. Updates are a core responsibility of the Commission involving all staff either directly or indirectly. It is not possible to estimate what part of the Commission's budget of \$6.4m could be attributed to it, or to the underlying research and analysis undertaken by the Commission on State fiscal capacities.
- b) The report is in the process of being finalised for presentation to government.