Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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Question: AET 704-708

Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment (PC)

Written: Received from Committee – 22 February 2013

Senator BUSHBY asked:

- 704. What is the <u>Department/Agency's hospitality spend</u> for this financial year to date (22 February 2013)? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 705. What is the <u>Department/Agency's entertainment spend</u> for this financial year to date (22 February 2013)? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 706. What <u>hospitality spend</u> is the Department/Agency's <u>planning on spending</u>? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 707. What <u>entertainment spend</u> is the <u>Department/Agency's planning on spending</u>? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 708. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?

Answer:

704. – 705.

Date	Location	Purpose	Cost (GST Exclusive)
29/08/2012	Canberra	Chinese Central Party School visit delegation	86.23
19/10/2012	Canberra	Economist Group meeting	83.39
08/11/2012	Melbourne	Alumni Networking function	989.01
09/11/2012	Canberra	Alumni Networking function	761.55
09/11/2012	Canberra	Economist Group meeting	761.82
19/11/2012	Canberra	PC ABS Pre Conference Dinner	919.64
26/11/2012	Melbourne	Productivity Commission Annual Richard Snape Lecture –hospitality for attendees at the Lecture and dinner with the Lecturer and invited guests	5,394.96
06/12/2012	Canberra	APEC Farewell Luncheon for Overseas Delegate	195.45
		Total for 2012-13 as at 22 February 2013	9,192.05

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706. – 708. The Commission is anticipating that the level of expenditure on official hospitality and entertainment in 2012-13 will be similar to previous years.