

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

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**Question: AET 774-777**

**Topic: Provision of Equipment (PC)**

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**Senator BUSHBY asked:**

774. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and what are the purchase and associated costs?
775. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date (22 February 2013)?
776. Is electronic equipment (such as iPad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.
777. Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to whom it is provided.

**Answer:**

774-775. Not applicable.

776. Yes, the Commission provides the following electronic equipment to agency employees:

<b>Electronic Device</b>	<b>Average Purchase Cost per item (ex GST)</b>	<b>Average annual ongoing cost per item (ex GST)</b>
Laptop	\$1,172	-
iPhone (or other mobile phone)	\$726	\$816
iPad	\$748	\$588
Wireless card	\$178	\$552

Note: USB sticks are retained by the ICT section and allocated on a loan basis.

Employees from the classifications below that receive electronic devices are those that have a business need to be contactable at any time and/or require remote access to agency resources.

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The staff classifications that have access to electronic devices are:

- Statutory Office holders
- SESB3
- SESB2
- SESB1
- EL2
- EL1
- APS5-6

777. No.