

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

13 – 14 February 2013

Question: AET 871-874

Topic: Provision of Equipment

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Senator BUSHBY asked:

871. 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?
872. 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)?
873. 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.
874. 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:

871. Not applicable.
872. Not applicable.
873. Laptops, RSA tokens and USB sticks are available to staff at the acting SES1, EL1 and APS 5 classification levels for use in the field and as part of the agency's Business Continuity Plan. The Inspector-General of Taxation and the Deputy Inspector-General of Taxation have access to an iPad and Blackberry for business requirements so that they may be contactable at any time and/or require remote access to agency resources. The acting General Manager – Reviews (SES1) also has access to a Blackberry. The costs and maintenance relating to the acquisition of these electronic devices is managed by the Department of Treasury under a service level agreement with the Inspector-General of Taxation.
874. Not applicable.