

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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17 October – 18 October 2012

Question: SBT 645-653

Topic: Freedom of Information (APRA)

Written: Received from Committee – 26 October 2012

Senator BUSHBY asked:

645. Has the department/agency received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests?
646. What is the total cost to the department/agency to process FOI requests for 2011-12?
647. How many FOI requests did the department/agency receive in 2011-12?
648. How many requests were denied and how many were granted?
649. Did the department fail to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests?
- a. If so, how many?
- b. Do any of these requests remain outstanding?
650. What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date (26 October 2012)?
651. How many FOI requests has the Department received for this financial year to date (26 October 2012)?
652. How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted?
653. Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests?
- a. If so, how many and why?
- b. Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?

Answer:

645. Yes.
646. The Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA's) Annual Report sets out the estimated total cost to process Freedom of Information (FOI) requests in 2011-12 (page 156).
647. See response to 646.
648. See response to 646.
649. a) No.
b) Not applicable.

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650. The estimated cost to process FOI request for the financial year to 26 October 2012 is \$10,311.
651. APRA received seven requests for the financial year to 26 October 2012.
652. For the requests finalised during the financial year to 26 October: two were granted in full; one was granted in part; and three were refused access.
653. a) No.
b) Not applicable.