

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Supplementary Budget Estimates

2015 - 2016

**Department/Agency: RAM**

**Question: SBT 2399-2400**

**Topic: Media Monitoring**

**Reference: written - 30 October 2015**

**Senator: Wong, Penny**

**Question:**

Since 1 January 2015:

2399. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office during the specified period?
- a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?
  - b) What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?
  - c) Itemise these expenses.
2400. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency during the specified period?
- a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?
  - b) What has been spent providing these services during the specified period?
  - c) Itemise these expenses

**Answer:**

2399. Nil response.

2400.

a) iSentia

b) \$32,383.90 (inc GST)

c) Invoices do not itemise by topic and to attempt to provide information would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.