Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 30/31 May 2011

Question: E11-407

OUTCOME 0: Whole of Portfolio

Topic: HOSPITALITY SPEND

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary's office, please detail total hospitality spend FYTD. Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event. Please detail any catering costs, listing the cost of food and beverages, and include a separate list of alcohol costs.

Answer:

The hospitality expenditure for the period 1 July 2010 to 31 May 2011 for each Portfolio Minister is detailed below. There was no hospitality expenditure recorded against the Parliamentary Secretary's office for this period. As the Department's Financial Management Information System is not configured to separately capture food, beverage and alcohol costs, the diversion of resources necessary to extract the details from the individual invoices cannot be justified.

Minister Roxon

Date	Location	Purpose	Cost of Hospitality (incl GST)
27-Apr-2011	Parliament House, Canberra, ACT	Cancer Australia and the National Breast & Ovarian Cancer Centre Meeting	\$695.00

Minister Snowdon

Date	Location	Purpose	Cost of Hospitality (incl GST)
9-Nov-2010	Parliament House, Canberra, ACT	Stakeholder Consultation Forum	\$95.20
13-Apr-2011	Parliament House, Canberra, ACT	Indigenous Chronic Disease Meeting	\$198.00
13-Apr-2011	Parliament House, Canberra, ACT	Closing the Gap Meeting	\$198.00

Minister Bulter

Date	Location	Purpose	Cost of Hospitality (incl GST)
11-Feb-2011	Parliament House, Canberra, ACT	Committee meeting	\$380.50
11-Feb-2011	Parliament House, Canberra, ACT	Committee meeting	\$46.50