

## **Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

### **—Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2014**

#### **Answers to Questions on Notice**

#### **Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services**

Topic: **Media monitoring**

Question: **287**

Written: **Senator Wong**

#### **Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 11 July 2014**

1. What is the total cost of media monitoring services provided to the department/agency since 11 February 2014?
2. Please provide details of
  - a. the service provider and
  - b. the cost.
3. Are media monitoring services purchased by the department/agency provided to the office of a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary?
  - a. If so, please provide details of the service, including, if applicable, any additional costs incurred by the department/agency.

#### **Answer**

1. The Library provides media monitoring services to the whole Parliament. Since February 2013 the cost of these services is \$75 273 (this includes news clips and access to the iSentia Mediportal)
2. Service provider and cost
  - a. iSentia Pty Limited
  - b. \$75 273 – this includes:
    - i. press clips from the major national and metropolitan newspapers for the Parliamentary Library's ParlInfo newspaper clippings database
    - ii. access to iSentia's Mediportal which includes a breaking news service and 90 day archive of regional newspapers
3. Library services are provided on the basis of equality of access to all Senators and Members.