

Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Department of the Senate

Budget Estimates

26-30 May 2014

Question: 76

Topic: Taxi costs

Written: 12 June 2014

Senator LUDWIG asked:

1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from Additional Estimates in February 2014 to date?
 - a) Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.
2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?

Answer:

The department has spent \$8,396 on taxis since 24 February 2014.

Clerk's Office	\$ 295
Table Office	\$ 618
Procedure Office	\$ 637
Committee Office	\$ 5,830
Black Rod's Office	\$ 375
Corporate overhead	\$ 640

Taxis are used by the department for a range of needs including: for travel relating to the Parliamentary Education Office (which is part of the Procedure Office); to attend offsite meetings; to support Senate Committee hearings; to cater for work health and safety issues; and for airport transfers.