Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2012-13 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Question No: 270

Topic: Taxi Costs

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Senator Boyce asked:

How much did each department/agency spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency. What are the reasons for taxi costs?

Answer:

For the period 1 July 2013 to 31 January 2013, the Department's expenditure on taxis was \$478,800 (GST exclusive).

Due to structural reorganisations and movements within groups of the Department throughout this period it is not possible to provide an accurate breakdown of taxi costs by business group without significant diversion of Departmental resources.

Taxis are used for staff travelling for official purposes only.

Information from portfolio agencies is not able to be provided without the use of significant resources.