

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Topic: Credit Cards

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Provide a breakdown of any changes to employment classifications that have access to a corporate credit card.
2. Have there been any changes to action taken in the event that the corporate credit card is misused?
3. Have there been any changes to how corporate credit card use is monitored?
4. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered during the specified period? If so:
5. Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.
6. Have there been any changes to what action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?
7. How many credit cards are available to the Minister or their office? If so, please list by classification. Has there been any misuse of credit cards by the Minister or their office? Has any action been taken against the Minister or their office for credit card misuse? If so, list each occurrence, including the cost of the misuse.

Answer:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:

1. There have been no changes to access arrangements for corporate credit cards.
2. There have been no changes to the actions taken with regard to misuse of the corporate credit card.
3. There has been no change to the monitoring arrangements for corporate credit card use.
4. There have been no instances of corporate credit card misuse.
5. Not applicable.
6. There have been no changes in relation to prevention measures for the use of the corporate credit card.
7. There is one corporate credit card that has been issued to a Departmental Liaison Officer in the Minister's Office. No misuse of that card has been identified.