

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016, 10 February 2016

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OUTCOME: 0 - Whole of Portfolio

Topic: Departmental Upgrades

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

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

1. Has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities?
 - a) If so, list these
 - b) If so, list the total cost for these changes
 - c) If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure
 - d) If so, who conducted the works?
 - e) If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works
 - f) If so, when are the works expected to be completed?

Answer:

1. The Department of Health has undertaken changes to their buildings or facilities.
 - a) The Department is unable to provide this level of detail as the work involved would require a significant diversion of resources from other departmental operations.
 - b) \$238,898.00 (excl GST) as at 31 January 2016.
 - c) The Department is unable to provide this level of detail as the work involved would require a significant diversion of resources from other departmental operations.
 - d) Information on contracts awarded by the Department are listed on AusTender. To provide further detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.
 - e) The Department engages Contractors through multi-agency access Deeds of Standing Offer in accordance with the Commonwealth Procurement Rules.
 - f) All of the works have been completed.