

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2014 - 2015, 2/3 June 2014

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OUTCOME: 0 - Whole of Portfolio

Topic: Workplace Assessments

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

1. How much has been spent on workplace ergonomic assessments since 7 September 2013?
 - a) List each item of expenditure and cost.
2. Have any assessments, not related to an existing disability, resulted in changes to workplace equipment or set up?
3. If so, list each item of expenditure and cost related to those changes

Answer:

1. to 3.

From information recorded in the Department of Health's financial management system, a total of \$82,600 (GST exclusive) can be identified as costs associated with workplace ergonomic assessments for the period 7 September 2013 to 31 May 2014.

- a) Individual records for each item of expenditure are retained on paper files. To review files and record de-identified information about individual expenditure items will cause an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.