

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 23-24 OCTOBER 2014 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Departmental Upgrades

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Question:

Since Budget Estimates in June 2014:

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

Answer:

- a) 1) - 2) Attachment A provides a list of new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to building or facilities since Budget Estimates in June.
- 3) To provide a detailed answer to the question asked would require extensive research and would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.
- 4) The various projects were managed by the department's Property Branch utilising multiple contractors and suppliers.
- 5) Procurement is undertaken in accordance with the Commonwealth Procurement Rules.
- 6) See Attachment A.