

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

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Division/Agency: Australian Taxation Office

Question No: AET 19

Topic: Executive Office Upgrades

Reference: Written

Senator: Bilyk

Question:

1. Have the furniture, fixtures or fittings of the Commissioner's office, or the offices of any Deputy Commissioners, been upgraded since 1 October 2016?
2. If so, can an itemised list of costs please be provided (GST inclusive)?

Answer:

1. No work has been done in the Commissioner's office since 1 October 2016. Work has been completed in four Deputy Commissioner Offices.
2. On average, a Deputy Commissioners office costs approximately \$42,000 to fit out. Each office is fitted with the following furniture, fixtures and fittings:
 - A desk with draw unit
 - Office joinery
 - Meeting table and 6 chairs
 - A task chair

The following approximate costs were attributed to each DC office update undertaken since 1 October 2016:

| Site | Cost (GST exclusive)* |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Upper Mount Gravatt (Qld) | \$40,909 |
| Moonee Ponds (Vic) | \$38,181 |
| Sydney (NSW) | \$38,181 |

*The ATO reports on the net cost to the ATO, which is the standard accounting treatment for reporting. Whilst the ATO will pay invoices inclusive of GST, the GST is claimed back. Hence the net cost to the ATO is the GST-exclusive amount and therefore is what is reported.