

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates

29 May – 31 May 2012

Question: BET 1073-1074

Topic: Education Expenses

Hansard Page: Written (Received from Committee - 13 June 2012)

Senator BUSHBY asked:

1073. What are the department/agency's guidelines on study? Please provide details.
1074. For this financial year to date, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the department/agency.

Answer:

1073. Treasury's Studies Assistance Guidelines are attached.
1074. Expenditure on education expenses in the fiscal year to 31 May 2012 was \$2,083,347. This includes expenditure of \$380,364 through the Studies Assistance program.

Information on the type of course, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant has not been provided because it would involve an unreasonabale diversion of departmental resources to collate this information.