

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Budget Estimates

29 May – 31 May 2012

**Question: BET 244-245**

**Topic: Taxi Costs (ABS)**

**Hansard Page: Written (received from Committee – 13 June 2012)**

**Senator BUSHBY asked:**

244. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.
245. What are the reasons for taxi costs?

**Answer:**

244. The total cost of taxi travel for the financial year to date 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012 is \$1,126,698 (exclusive of GST).
245. All taxi travel is incurred for business purposes and is undertaken on the basis of efficient, effective, economical and ethical use of Commonwealth resources.

Note: This forms part of the total travel related expenses reported in BET 993-997 - Travel Costs.