

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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Question: BET 637-640

Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment (PC)

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

Senator BUSHBY asked:

637. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
638. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
639. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
640. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

Answer:

637 - 638.

Date	Location	Purpose	Cost (GST Exclusive)
25/08/2011	Canberra	Launch of "Overcoming Indigenous Disadvantages" report at external premises	1,091.21
11/10/2011	Melbourne	Productivity Commission Annual Richard Snape Lecture –hospitality for attendees at the Lecture and dinner with the Lecturer and invited guests	5,091.85
24/10/2011	Melbourne	Alumni Networking function and opening of the Commission's Melbourne office	3,934.34
27/10/2011	Canberra	Alumni Networking function	576.90
09/02/2012	Canberra	Dinner meeting with New Zealand Officials	253.85
28/02/2012	Sydney	Dinner meeting with academics – to discuss forthcoming projects and research topics	781.29
		Total for 2011-12 as at 31 May 2012	11,729.44

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- 639 - 640. The Commission is anticipating that the level of expenditure on official hospitality in 2011-12 will be similar to previous years.