Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question: BET 1028

Topic: Staff Amenities (ATO)

Written

Senator BUSHBY asked:

1028. What amenities are provided to staff? Provide a list, including any costs and the reason for providing the amenity.

Answer:

- 1028. As part of the base fit out design of ATO buildings, all offices include the following basic staff amenities:
 - staff breakout areas or refreshment stations
 - change rooms / showers / lockers
 - bicycle storage
 - first aid rooms
 - personal storage units.

The change rooms, showers, lockers and bicycle storage are provided by the building owner/developer as part of base building works for all new sites and are integral components for greenstar ratings. Other amenities are provided to staff as part of health and safety requirements or to ensure staff can securely store personal belongings whilst at work. The size and cost of staff breakout areas varies across individual sites and is dependent on the number of staff and size of the floor in each building. Costs are not able to be isolated from the overall building lease payments.

In a limited number of sites there are also cafeteria facilities owned and managed by private contractors. These sites are:

- Moonee Ponds
- Dandenong
- Hobart
- Hurstville
- Penrith
- Newcastle.