

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Question: BET 1047-1049**

**Topic: Media Subscriptions (ATO)**

**Written**

**Senator BUSHBY asked:**

1047. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.
- b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?

1048. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.
- b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?

1049. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.
- b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?

**Answer:**

1047. The ATO does not subscribe to pay TV. However, the ATO does subscribe to the Parliamentary Network.

There has been no change to the Parliamentary Network subscription since the 2012-13 Additional Senate Estimates in February 2013.

The annual cost for the subscription to the Parliamentary Network for 2012-13 is \$6,651 (exclusive of GST). This was paid on 9 October 2012.

1048. The ATO subscribes to a range of hard copy magazines, newspapers and journals. These subscriptions are primarily business and/or industry focused. The ATO's financial management information system does not separately identify these costs by publication.

In 2012-13 to 31 May 2013, the ATO's expenditure on hard copy magazines, newspapers and journals was \$191,077.28 (exclusive of GST).

1049. Please refer to BET 1048.