

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Department/ Agency: ABS

Question: BET 1280-1281

Topic: Coffee Machines

Reference: Written – 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

1280. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage since Additional Estimates in February, 2014?
- a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?
 - b) Why were coffee machines purchased?
 - c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
 - d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?
 - e) Who has access?
 - f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
 - g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?
1281. Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, has the department/agency rented or leased any coffee machines for staff usage?
- a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.
 - b) Why are coffee machines rented?
 - c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
 - d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?
 - e) Who has access?
 - f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
 - g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?

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Answer:

1280. No, since Additional Estimates in February 2014, the ABS has not purchased coffee machines for staff usage.
1281. No, ABS does not rent coffee machines for staff to utilise.