

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates**

20-21 November 2013

**Question: SBT 580-584**

**Topic: Public Service efficiencies**

**Written: 25 November 2013**

**Senator LUDWIG asked:**

- 580. Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?
- 581. Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?
- 582. Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?
- 583. Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much?
- 584. Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?

**Answer:**

- 580. Please refer to the responses provided for the Supplementary Budget Estimates, questions SBT 345 and 347.
- 581. Please refer to the response provided for the Supplementary Budget Estimates, question SBT 348.
- 582. Please refer to the response provided for the Supplementary Budget Estimates, question SBT 349.
- 583. Please refer to the response provided for the Supplementary Budget Estimates, question SBT 350.
- 584. Please refer to the response provided for the Supplementary Budget Estimates, question SBT 350.