

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

20 November – 21 November 2013

Question: SBT 717

Topic: Taxi costs (APRA)

Written: Received from Committee – 25 November 2013

Senators LUDWIG and WONG asked:

717. a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from 7 September 2013 to date*? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.
- b) What are the reasons for taxi costs

** to 30 November 2013.*

Answer:

717. a) The Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) records taxi costs as part of Domestic Local Transport costs, which is made up of costs associated with short term hire cars, taxis, trains, buses, trams, tolls, parking, and use of private vehicles within Australia. The cost of Domestic Local Transport for the period 7 September to 30 November 2013 was \$42,739.39.
- b) APRA staff are expected to attend business and other meetings as part of performing their responsibilities. These are working expenses.