

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio (AOFM)**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates**

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**Question: SBT 842-844**

**Topic: Social Media Policy**

**Written: 28 November 2013**

**Senator WONG asked:**

842. Have there been any changes to department/agency social media protocols relating to staff access and usage of YouTube; online social media, such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter; and access to online discussions forums and blogs since the February 2013 Additional Budget Estimates? If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issued.
843. Does the department/agency monitor usage of social media?
- a. If yes, provide details of the usage (for example details could include average hours per employee hours when usage peaks).
  - b. Has there been a change to the department/agency protocols due to staff usage?
  - c. If no, why not? Will the department/agency monitor usage in the future?
844. Does social media impact on employee productivity? Provide details (details could include increased internet usage in general or increased internet usage in standard business hours)

**Answer:**

842. No.
843. No. Internet gateway services in respect of the AOFM are handled by the Department of the Treasury. The Treasury response to these questions includes the AOFM.
- a) See applicable Treasury response (SBT833-835).
  - b) Not applicable. See applicable Treasury response (SBT833-835).
  - c) Not applicable. See applicable Treasury response (SBT833-835).
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