Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014 - 2015

Department/Agency: ATO Question: SBT 1821-1822

Topic: Non-Conventional Therapies Reference: written - 31 October 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

Since 7 September 2013:

- 1821. Are non-conventional therapies, for staff or ministerial use, able to be provided by the department/agency? (Including, but not limited to: Music Therapy, Hypnosis, Acupuncture, Chiropractic, Homeopathy, Naturopathy, etc) If yes:
 - a. What is the process by which these therapies can be approved?
 - b. Who are they available to?
 - c. Please detail the reasons the therapies able to be provided (e.g. Work Place Agreement, recommended by a report to the department, etc)?
- 1822. Has the department/agency paid for any non-conventional therapy for any Minister or staff? If yes:
 - a. What therapies have been provided?
 - b. What were they used to treat?
 - c. What was the cost of the therapy?

Answer:

1821. No.

1822. No.