

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

2014 - 2015

Department/Agency: CGC

Question: SBT 2545 - 2550

Topic: Travel costs - department

Reference: Written - 30 October 2014

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

2545. Is the minister or their office or their delegate required to approve all departmental and agency international travel?
- a) If so, under what policy?
 - b) Provide a copy of that policy.
 - c) When was this policy implemented?
2546. List all occurrences of travel that this has occurred under.A. Detail the process.
2547. When is the minister notified, when is approved provided?
2548. Detail all travel (domestic and international) for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).
2549. Detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.
- a) What date was the minister or their office was notified of the travel?
 - b) What date did the minister or their office approve the travel?
2550. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

Answer:

2545. No

2546. Nil

2547. N/A

2548. Nil

2549. Domestic travel only undertaken. No international travel was undertaken during this period.

a) N/A

b) N/A

Number of Staff	2
Destination	Adelaide/Perth
Air Fare	\$5,545.34
Air Fare Type	Business Class
Accommodation	\$446.00

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Meals	\$485.80
Incidentals	\$107.00
Totals	\$6,584.14
Reason for travel	Meet with WA & SA Treasuries regarding 2015 review

2550. Two day trips only are planned for the rest of this calendar year. One trip is for 2 departmental officers to attend meetings in Sydney for briefings regarding health consultancies for the 2015 Review

The second trip involves 2 departmental officers attending a meeting in Brisbane to brief a consultant on audit of decision making processes for the 2015 Review