

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Supplementary Budget Estimates

2014 - 2015

**Department/Agency: PC**

**Question: SBT3465-3466**

**Topic: Non-Conventional Therapies**

**Reference: Written - 30 October 2014**

**Senator: Ludwig, Joe**

**Question:**

Since 7 September 2013:

3465. 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)?
3466. 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:**

As at 30 October 2014:

3465. No.

3466. No.