

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

2015 - 2016

Department/Agency: Treasury

Question: SBT 343-346

Topic: Meeting costs

Reference: written - 30 October 2015

Senator: Wong, Penny

Question:

Meeting costs

Since 1 January 2015:

- 343 How much has the Department/Agency spent on meeting costs? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
- 344 For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from Budget Estimates, June 2015 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.
- 345 What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 346 For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.

Answer:

343. The department spent \$204,109 on meeting costs. This includes internal and external meetings. The department does not capture details of each meeting at this level and to collate the information would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.

344. The total spent for Ministers' offices was \$22,905 on meeting costs. The department does not capture details of each meeting at this level and to collate the information would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.

345. The department does not plan for meetings at this level of detail. Meetings are undertaken as required.

346. The Ministers' Offices do not plan for meetings at this level of detail. Meetings are undertaken as required.