

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee:  
Answers to written Questions on Notice Additional Budget Estimates 2013–14  
Parliamentary Departments Portfolio  
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<b>Department</b>	Parliamentary Budget Office
<b>Topic</b>	Departmental upgrades
<b>Senator</b>	Senator Ludwig
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<b>Type of question</b>	Written

**Question**

- 1 Since 7 September 2013 has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities?
  - a If so, list these.
  - b If so, list the total cost for these changes.
  - c If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure.
  - d If so, who conducted the works?
  - e If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works.
  - f If so, when are the works expected to be completed?

**Answer**

- 1 The Parliamentary Budget Office (PBO) took up occupancy of its permanent Parliament House accommodation on 21 October 2013. The total budget for the project was \$2.1 million which was managed by the Department of Parliamentary Services (DPS) within budget and the scheduled timeframe. The total project budget included \$0.5 million to assist DPS to relocate from the site now occupied by the PBO.