

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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Department	Parliamentary Budget Office
Topic	Briefings for other parties
Senator	Senator Ludwig
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Type of question	Written

Question

- 1 Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Non-Government parties other than the Australian Labor Party? If yes, please include:
 - a How are briefings requests commissioned?
 - b What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.
 - c Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.
 - d Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.
 - e How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.
 - f Which Non-Government Parties or Independents, excluding the Australian Labor Party have requested briefings and/or information?

Answer

- 1 Any engagement by the Parliamentary Budget Office with Parliamentarians has been on a confidential basis and cannot be disclosed.