

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2015**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Parking validation through The Parliament Shop**

Question: **8**

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Senator LUNDY: What I am interested in is the cross-subsidisation of the shop. We have been through, a number of times, the changes to the shop, the expansion of the shop, and how that has not been without some controversy in its own right. Now you are telling us that you are going to effectively underwrite it through an incentive on the paid parking system. So it will pretty much guarantee that however it looks it will look better than it otherwise would have if you did not create that paid parking voucher system—or what do you call it?

Mr Skill: Validation parking.

Senator LUNDY: Validation; thank you. How much do you think you will be able to make extra at the shop by doing that?

Ms Hanley: It is too early to tell. I do not have the statistics of the number of tickets that we would have validated, but we could get that on notice.

Senator LUNDY: You could?

Ms Hanley: Yes.

Senator LUNDY: That would be helpful.

Answer

Since paid parking was introduced on 20 December 2014 until 23 February 2015, 128 tickets have been validated where a person has spent \$25 or more in the Shop.