

Question: 10

Topic: Taxi costs

Written: 22 February 2016

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis during the specified period? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.
2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?
3. How much did the department spend on taxis during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?

Answer:

1. The department has spent \$19,628 on taxis since 14 September 2015.*
2. Taxis are used by the department for a range of needs including: for travel relating to the Parliamentary Education Office (which is part of the Procedure Office); to attend offsite meetings; to support Senate Committee hearings; to cater for work health and safety issues; and for airport transfers.
3. Not applicable.

**All financial data provided in answer to Senator Ludwig's questions is current to 31 January 2016 unless otherwise stated.*