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Senator: Wong, Penny

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Question:

Senator WONG: The Parliament House briefing room—again, there is quite a significant increase from what was spent in 2014-15.

Ms McIntyre: Yes. These costs are obviously associated with how often the room is used. There is a full-time officer who supports that room—access to the room, setting up the facilities and the like. Overtime costs are a significant portion when it is—

Senator WONG: \$400,000?

Ms McIntyre: As well as the operating costs of the equipment and the like in the room. I would have to get a breakdown for you.

Senator WONG: Could you get a breakdown of the actuals for 2014-15 and tell me what was budgeted for that year, and also a breakdown of what you are budgeting over the forwards?

Ms McIntyre: I can do that on notice, yes.

Senator WONG: Thank you. I appreciate that. Can you give me the 2013-14 figures as well?

Ms McIntyre: Yes.

Answer:

Actual Expenditure

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
	Actual	Actual	PAES	PAES	PAES	PAES
	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	Budget	PAES	PAES	PAES
	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(\$'000)
Employee Costs	128	155	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Supplier Costs	286	253	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	414	408	446	448	455	456

* Figures above include depreciation

The increase to the budget in the forward years is in line with CPI increases.