Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question:

Can all costs associated with the operation of the Business Advisory Council since its establishment be provided?

On what dates has the Business Advisory Council met since its establishment?

Answer:

Please refer to Senate Parliamentary Question on Notice 40 for costs up to 28 February 2014.

Since then, the following costs have been incurred (as at 19 June 2014):

Description	Cost
Airfares and transport	\$ 20,867
Accommodation and travel allowances	\$850
Venue, catering and stationary	\$ 1,224
Total	\$ 22,761

The Council has met two times since February 2008:

- Monday, 31 March 2014; and
- Tuesday, 27 May 2014.