

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Senator: Senator the Hon Penny Wong

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Question:

Senator WONG: Can you take on notice or perhaps you can tell me what were the costs of holding the cabinet and cabinet committee meetings in Perth in the week commencing 31 March during the WA Senate election.

Senator Abetz: We will take that.

Senator WONG: you do not have that here?

Senator Abetz: Sorry, I thought you asked us to take it on notice.

Senator WONG: No. I will ask the question and you may need to take it on notice.

Ms Kelly: I do need to take that on notice.

Answer:

The cost to the department of holding the Cabinet and committee meetings in Perth in the week commencing 31 March was \$20,466.45, which includes airfares, accommodation and incidentals.