

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** Kitching

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**Question:**

**Senator KITCHING:** I just want to clarify: if any government-owned business accesses the whole-of-government travel arrangements, do they pay a fee for that, or is it just accepted that they can? Is it just an option that they have?

**Mr Edge:** Mr Sheridan might have a little more detail, but they would access the arrangement on the same basis as any of the other Commonwealth agencies, I would imagine.

**Mr Sheridan:** I would have to take on notice whether any of them do and what the arrangements are. I am not sure.

**Answer:**

The whole of Australian Government (WoAG) Travel Arrangements are mandatory for Non-Corporate Commonwealth Entities. Corporate Commonwealth Entities and Commonwealth Companies may opt in. Currently, there is only one Government Business Enterprise (GBE) participating, which is Defence Housing Australia.

All entities participating in the Arrangements, including GBE's, pay a WoAG Admin Fee of \$3.00 (ex GST) per flight booking to cover the costs of the Department of Finance managing the Arrangements.