

Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Department of the Senate

Supplementary Budget Estimates

18 – 21 November 2013

Question: 12

Topic: Parliament House Office Fit Outs

Written: 26 November 2013

Senator LUDWIG asked:

Who makes the final decision on requests for additional fit outs requested by members and senators?

a) Please list their classification level.

Answer:

Broadly speaking, the Usher of the Black Rod (SES Band 1) has overall responsibility for offices within the Senate wing.

Requests are assessed on a case-by-case basis. Depending on the nature of the request consultation may occur with the President of the Senate, the Clerk of the Senate, the Secretary of the Department of Parliamentary Services and other SES officers within Department of Parliamentary Services.