

**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: 54**

**Topic: Departmental senate estimates briefing**

**Written: 26 November 2013**

**Senator LUDWIG asked:**

1. How many officers were responsible for preparing the Minister's briefing pack for the purposes of senate estimates?
2. How many officer hours were spent on preparing that information?
  - a) Please break down the hours by officer APS classification
- 3) Were drafts shown to the Minister or their office before senate estimates?
  - a) If so, when did this occur?
  - b) How many versions of this information were shown to the minister or their office?
- 4) Did the minister or their office make any contributions, edits or suggestions for departmental changes to this information?
  - a) If so, when did this occur?
  - b) What officer hours were spent on making these edits? Please break down the hours by officer APS classification.
  - c) When were the changes made?

**Answer:**

As a parliamentary department, the department does not report to a Minister.