

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2013-2014**

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency: Australian National Audit Office**

**Outcome/Program:**

**Topic:** Departmental Senate estimates briefing

**Senator:** Ludwig

**Question reference number:** 190

**Type of question:** Written

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**Question:**

- 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:**

Q1. The ANAO prepares briefing material for the purpose of Senate Estimates for the Auditor-General and its officers. This includes briefings on recently tabled audits to all Senate Estimates Committees ahead of hearings. In addition, the ANAO provides a copy of its corporate-related briefs to the Prime Minister's Office. The ANAO does not prepare a specific briefing pack for the purposes of senate estimates to the Minister.

Q2. to Q4. Not applicable.