Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee: Answers to written Questions on Notice Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014–15 Parliamentary Departments Portfolio October 2014

Department Parliamentary Budget Office

Topic Disability Access

Senator Senator Ludwig

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Type of question Written

Question

- Please provide a list of all premises owned, leased or otherwise operated by the department / agency which do not yet comply with the Disability Discrimination Act (through The Disability (Access to Premises Buildings) Standards 2010). For each, please provide:
 - a The year in which it was purchased / leased / rented (and if lease / rental agreement, when it expires).
 - b What plans are in place to make the premises compliant with the Act?
 - c When these plans will commence and when they are expected to be complete?
 - d Has the Minister or the Minister's office been informed of these plans? Please provide a copy of any communication (including but not limited to emails, letters, memos, notes etc) between the Minister's office and the department regarding this issue.
 - e What is the expected cost of making the premises compliant? Please break down the costs.
 - f Have any plans to make any premises compliant been cancelled, put on hold or delayed since September 7, 2013? If yes, please detail, including the reasons for which they were cancelled, put on hold or delayed and how the decision was reached.
 - g Have any complaints been lodged with regard to the premises not being compliant? If yes, please detail.

Answer

1 The Parliamentary Budget Office does not own, lease or otherwise operate any premises.