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Senator: Gallagher

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Question:

Senator GALLAGHER: All right. Can I ask some questions about the former Speaker Bronwyn Bishop: whether the cost of the chartered helicopter flights have been repaid.

Ms McGregor: They were repaid.

Senator GALLAGHER: Can you tell me when they were repaid? **Ms McGregor:** We will give you the date on notice if you like ... **Senator GALLAGHER:** Was there a penalty loading applied to that?

Ms McGregor: Ms Bishop voluntarily repaid an additional amount, around 25 per cent.

Ms Halton: Consistent with a penalty loading.

Ms McGregor: Consistent with her announcement as well.

Senator GALLAGHER: If you do not have this available, could you supply on notice the

total amount repaid to the taxpayer by Ms Bishop.

Answer:

Ms Bishop repaid \$7,200.00 on 20 July 2015.