

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

**Corporate**

**Question No. 170**

**Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 24 February 2014:**

- 1) Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage since Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013?
    - i. If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?
    - ii. Why were coffee machines purchased?
    - iii. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
    - iv. Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?
    - v. Who has access?
    - vi. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
    - vii. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?
  2. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff usage?
    - i. If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.
    - ii. Why are coffee machines rented?
    - iii. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
    - iv. Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?
    - v. Who has access?
    - vi. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
    - vii. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?
    - vii. How were they selected?
- What was the total cost of this printing?

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

- 1) The Attorney-General's Department has not purchased any coffee machines for staff usage. It is Attorney-General's Department's policy to not allow coffee machines within AGD tenancies due to energy efficiencies and the NABER's energy rating.
- 2) The Attorney-General's Department has not leased any coffee machines for staff usage. It is Attorney-General's Department's policy to not allow coffee machines within AGD tenancies due to energy efficiencies and the NABER's energy rating.