

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

Group 1

Program General

Question No. 222

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

- 1) How much has been spent on the Minister's website since 7 September 2013?
 - i. List each item of expenditure and cost
- 2) Who is responsible for uploading information to the Minister's website?
 - i. Are any departmental staff required to work outside regular hours to maintain the Minister's website?

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

- 1) The department estimates that approximately 159.5 hours has been dedicated to support the Attorney-General, Minister for the Arts' and Minister for Justice's websites (in combination) between 7 September 2013 and 24 February 2014.
 - i) This includes:
 - a. establishment of websites upon election to office
 - b. technical preparation to support creation of new websites
 - c. upload of static content
 - d. upload of media releases, speeches and transcripts
 - e. general maintenance activities.

The combined cost is estimated at \$9,061.

- 2) Publishing of information to the Attorney-General, Minister for the Arts' and Minister's websites are performed by staff in the department:
 - media releases, speeches and transcripts are published by the Web Services team in Information Division.
 - generic pages such as Home, About, Portfolio, Contacts and Mailing list are maintained by the Strategy and Delivery Division in consultation with the Ministers' Offices.
- i) On occasion staff of the department are required to work outside regular hours to maintain the Attorney-General's and Minister's websites.