

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Industry, Tourism and Resources Portfolio  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES

**TOPIC:** Innovation Programs

**REFERENCE:** Written Question

**QUESTION No. B1-2**

**Senator Stott Despoja** asked:

Can you please confirm the administrative costs for each of the Department's innovation initiatives?

**ANSWER**

In addition to the policy and program administration costs that are directly attributable to the delivery of the Department's innovation initiatives, there are a number of additional overhead costs involved in administering these initiatives. These include IT and corporate overheads. As the Department does not currently attribute these overheads to individual initiatives we are unable to accurately provide administrative costs for each of the innovation initiatives.