Senate Standing Committee on Economics ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio
Supplementary Budget Estimates
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Question No: SBT 290 - 291

Topic: ABS Education Expenses

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Senator Bushy asked:

290. For the year 2010-11, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency.

Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant.

291. For the FYTD, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency.

Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant.

Answer:

- 290. The budgeted 2010-11 expenditure for education expenses for the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) was \$7.87m.
- 291. The budgeted year to date (30 Sept 2011) 2011-12 expenditure for education expenses for the ABS is \$2.09m.

The ABS does not record education data in a way that would readily allow answers to be provided to these questions. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.