Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian Public Service Commission **Outcome/Program:** Cross Portfolio **Topic:** Education expenses

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Question:

For this financial year to date, 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. Also include the reason for the study.

Answer:

The total staff development cost for the Australian Public Service Commission (APSC) for this financial year to date is \$134,884 inclusive of GST. APSC staff have attended a range of leadership, technical learning and development courses and programs aligned with their learning development plans. The APSC 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 APSC resources.