

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2013-2014**

Finance Portfolio

**Question reference number:** F130

**Senator:** Ludwig

**Topic:** Workplace assessments

**Type of question:** Written

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**Question:**

1. How much has been spent on workplace ergonomic assessments since 7 September 2013?
  - a) List each item of expenditure and cost
2. Have any assessments, not related to an existing disability, resulted in changes to workplace equipment or set up?
  - a) If so, list each item of expenditure and cost related to those changes.

**Answer:**

<b>Department / Agency</b>	<b>Response</b>
Finance	<p>For the period 7 September 2013 to 31 January 2014:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. External assessments – \$385.05.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) McNally’s chair – \$591.25                    Monitor Riser – \$21.00                    Evoluent keyboard – \$99.00                    Contour Roller Mouse Free 2 – \$355.00.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Yes.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Second monitor screen x 2 (\$175.00 each)                    Document Holder x 10 (\$149.00 each)                    Telephone headset x 1 (\$150.00 each)                    Replacement chair x 11 (\$352.44 each)                    Footrest x 2 (\$55.00 each)                    Monitor Stand x 5 (\$49.99 each)                    Alternative Mouse x 3 (\$132.00 each)                    Desk Lozenge x 1 (\$75.00 each).</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

AEC	<p>For the period 7 September 2013 to 31 January 2014:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. \$7,023.05. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The AEC does not maintain separate cost records for each ergonomic assessment. However there were 28 assessments for this total cost which means the average cost was \$250.82 per assessment.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Yes. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anchormat x 2 (\$123.20 each)</li> <li>Chairs x 6 (2 x \$475.00; 1 x \$790.00; 1 x \$704.55; 1 x \$631.82; 1 x 686.36)</li> <li>Compact Board x 2 (\$121.00 each)</li> <li>Compact Board Wireless x 1 (\$135.00)</li> <li>Corded Headset &amp; Cable x 4 (\$120.50 each)</li> <li>Cordless Headset &amp; Cable x 1 (\$364.59)</li> <li>Corner insert x 1 (\$55.00)</li> <li>Desk - Large x 2 (\$126.50 each)</li> <li>Desk - Compact x 4 (\$108.90 each)</li> <li>Document Holder x 2 (1 x \$105.60; 1x \$155.00)</li> <li>Footrests x 12 (3 x \$82.50; 6 x \$64.90; 2 x \$179.00; 1 x \$103.59)</li> <li>Footrest Spacer x 3 (\$9.90 each)</li> <li>Gas Lift x 1 (\$60.00)</li> <li>Gel Pads x 2 (\$15.95 each)</li> <li>Keyboard Combo x 1 (\$139.70)</li> <li>Monitor Riser x 2 (1 x \$23.98; 1 x \$49.50)</li> <li>Raise Workstation x 1 (\$115.00)</li> <li>Work Platform x 1 (\$189.00)</li> <li>Zoomtext x 1 (\$1,250.00)</li> </ul> </li> </ol> </li> </ol>
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ComSuper	<p>For the period 7 September 2013 to 31 January 2014:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A total of 32 workplace ergonomic assessments were undertaken at a total cost of \$11,074.84.</li> <li>2. 100 per cent of assessments undertaken were not related to an existing disability. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) A total of \$26,317.91 was spent for changes to workplace equipment and/or set up as follows:</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <table border="1" data-bbox="456 1304 1360 1629"> <thead> <tr> <th>Item</th> <th>Quantity</th> <th>Cost (\$)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Ergonomic Office Chair</td> <td>23</td> <td>12,428.49</td> </tr> <tr> <td>WHS headset/wireless headset</td> <td>7</td> <td>1,418.03</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ergonomic Keyboard</td> <td>7</td> <td>1,689.10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ergonomic Mouse</td> <td>11</td> <td>1,270.91</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ergonomic Document Holders</td> <td>6</td> <td>917.74</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ergonomic Screen Raiser</td> <td>1</td> <td>39.09</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ergonomic Sit/Stand Desks</td> <td>5</td> <td>8,554.55</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td><b>Total</b></td> <td><b>26,317.91</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Item	Quantity	Cost (\$)	Ergonomic Office Chair	23	12,428.49	WHS headset/wireless headset	7	1,418.03	Ergonomic Keyboard	7	1,689.10	Ergonomic Mouse	11	1,270.91	Ergonomic Document Holders	6	917.74	Ergonomic Screen Raiser	1	39.09	Ergonomic Sit/Stand Desks	5	8,554.55		<b>Total</b>	<b>26,317.91</b>
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Future Fund Management Agency	For the period from 7 September 2013 to 31 January 2014: 1. \$907. a) Fees for ergonomic assessments. 2. Yes recommendations for changes to workplace set up were made but no additional equipment was required. a) No additional costs were incurred.
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