

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

Finance Portfolio

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**Senator:** Ludwig

**Topic:** Commissioned reports

**Type of question:** Written

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**Question:**

- a) Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, how many Reports (including paid external advice) have been commissioned by the Minister, department or agency? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members.
- b) How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental or external staff were involved in each report and at what level?
- c) What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?

**Answer:**

<b>Department / Agency</b>	<b>Response</b>
Finance	a) Nil. b) – c) N/A.
AEC	a) One. The AEC engaged Grosvenor Management Consulting Pty Ltd on 27 November 2013 with the final report accepted internally by the AEC on 27 February 2014. The purpose of the report was to provide advice to the AEC on whether there continues to be justification for the AEC to directly engage the Department of Human Services (formerly Centrelink) for election contact centre services. b) \$9,418.75 (GST inclusive). The report was conducted externally, with one EL2 and one EL1 officer involved in setting the terms of reference for the report. c) The report has been accepted by the AEC. The Government is not required to respond.
ComSuper	c) Nil. d) – c) N/A.
Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation	a) Nil. b) – c) N/A.
Future Fund Management Agency	a) Nil. b) – c) N/A.