

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

Finance Portfolio

Question reference number: F93

Senator: Ludwig

Topic: Provision of ministerial equipment

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Question:

1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs?
 - a) Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification
2. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide a list of what is provided across the department of agency, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.

Answer:

Department / Agency	Response																
Finance	<p>1. The Ministers and their staff have smart phones (BlackBerry or iPhone). The current cost of a BlackBerry handset is \$666.00 per unit. The cost of an iPhone is \$899.00 per unit.</p> <p>a)</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="4" style="text-align: left;">Telecommunication Devices</th> </tr> <tr> <th style="width: 30%;"></th> <th style="width: 15%;">Purchase Cost \$</th> <th style="width: 20%;">Monthly Ongoing Cost (lease payments or usage charges) \$</th> <th style="width: 35%;">Provided to these staff categories (subject to business requirement approval)*</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>iPhone 5 (32GB)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">899.00</td> <td style="text-align: center;">(Voice / Data) 44.95</td> <td>Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries & Ministerial Staff</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BlackBerry Bold 9900</td> <td style="text-align: right;">666.00</td> <td style="text-align: center;">(Data) 39.95</td> <td>Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries & Ministerial Staff</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Telecommunication Devices					Purchase Cost \$	Monthly Ongoing Cost (lease payments or usage charges) \$	Provided to these staff categories (subject to business requirement approval)*	iPhone 5 (32GB)	899.00	(Voice / Data) 44.95	Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries & Ministerial Staff	BlackBerry Bold 9900	666.00	(Data) 39.95	Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries & Ministerial Staff
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2. Electronic Equipment Provided to Departmental Staff

	Purchase Cost \$	Monthly Ongoing Cost (lease payments or usage charges) \$	Provided to these staff categories (subject to business requirement approval)*
Standard Desk Setup			
Desktop PC Bundle (includes Monitor, Keyboard and Mouse)	N/A	199.00	All Staff
Laptop PC Bundle (includes Monitor, Keyboard and Mouse)	N/A	221.00	All Staff
Peripherals			
DVD Burner (External)	80.00	N/A	All Staff
Laptop Lock	50.00	N/A	All Staff
Keyboard **	27.00	N/A	All Staff
Monitor – 24” Flat Panel	216.00	N/A	All Staff
Optical Mouse **	15.00	N/A	All Staff
USB Thumb Drive	10.00	N/A	All Staff
Vasco Tokens (for Remote Access)	126.00	N/A	All Staff
Smart Label Printer	281.00	N/A	All Staff
Wireless Data Card	218.00	(Data) 39.95	All Staff
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iPad (64GB)	999.00	(Data) 49.00	Secretary and Senior Executive Staff (SES 1-3)
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BlackBerry - Bold 9900	666.00	(Data) 39.95	Senior Executive Staff (SES 1-3) and Directors (EL2)
Bluetooth Keyboard for iPad	129.00	N/A	Secretary and Senior Executive Staff (SES 1-3)
Mobile Phone (Nokia C2-01)	100.00	N/A	Senior Executive Staff (SES 1-3) and Directors (EL2)

	<p>Points of Note: * All Staff includes the following classifications: APS Levels 1-6, Executive Level 1 & 2 and Senior Executive Staff Bands 1-3 (Excluding COMCAR Drivers). ** Ergonomic mouse and keyboard products are provided where a work health and safety requirement exists.</p>																																																																																																																																		
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2. See table below.

Senior Executive	Ongoing cost \$
Blackberry/iPhone	3,328.55
Internet card	134.97
iPad	2,093.82
Other Staff	Ongoing cost \$
Blackberry/iPhone	19,171.49
Internet card	3,249.79
iPad	2,658.93
TOTAL	30,637.55

(Reporting from 1st November 2013 to 31st January 2014)

Future Fund
Management
Agency

1. N/A
2. See table below.

Equipment	Purchase price \$	Ongoing cost	Staff classification	Number issued to staff
iPhones	78,600	\$34 per device per month	Available to all staff at FFMA1 to FFMA7 subject to identified need.	96
Laptops	59,431	Nil	Available to all staff at FFMA1 to FFMA7 subject to identified need.	24
iPads	13,518	\$86 per unit per month	Available to all staff at FFMA1 to FFMA7 subject to identified need.	19
Dictaphones	2,641	Nil	Available to all staff at FFMA1 to FFMA7 subject to identified need.	3