

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee —Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2011

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: Auction Houses used by DPS

Question: 30

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Senator FAULKNER: Do you use any other auction houses?

Mr Kenny: Yes, we do.

Senator FAULKNER: Which ones?

Mr Kenny: We know that we use Pickles, and we can get you a list of other ones that we have used.

Senator FAULKNER: Thank you. You might take that on notice. Why did you use ALLBIDS in this circumstance?

Mr Kenny: I will have to find out for you.

Senator FAULKNER: I would appreciate a full response to that question on notice. Thank you, Mr Kenny

Answer

1 DPS uses All Bids for the majority of asset sales. All Bids provides a good and quick return on the auction items; and clear paperwork.

2 In addition, DPS may use broker houses to dispose of other specific items such as obsolete broadcasting equipment.

3 In the past, DPS has also used other auction houses such as Pickles and Dominion; however, DPS has not used these two organisations for a number of years now.