

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013**

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance and Deregulation

**Outcome/Program:** 3/3.1

**Topic:** Senator the Hon Bob Carr's electorate office

**Senator:** Ryan

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**Question:**

What arrangement does the department have in place in relation to Senator Carr's electorate office?

- a) Does the Department pay rent to someone for that office?
- b) What contact did you have with the New South Wales government? Was it initiated by them? Was it initiated by you?

**Answer:**

The Department has a three year lease arrangement for Senator the Hon Bob Carr's electorate office, which commenced on 6 March 2012.

- a) Yes, the Department pays the rent for Senator Carr's electorate office, with effect from 6 March 2012, through its contracted property manager, UGL Services Pty Ltd (UGL Services), to the New South Wales Department of Premier and Cabinet.
- b) Senator Carr's staff advised the Department that Senator Carr wished to retain his former Premier's office for use as his electorate office. Finance then initiated the contact with the New South Wales Department of Premier and Cabinet through UGL Services.