

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

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of Finance and Deregulation

Outcome/Program:

Topic: Media subscriptions

Senator: Ryan

Question reference number: F98

Type of question: Written

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: Friday, 12 July 2013

Number of pages: 3

Question:

1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?
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 - b) What is the cost for this financial year to date?
2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?
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Answer:

1.
 - a) Foxtel assists Finance officials to stay informed of news, current affairs and world events.
Parliamentary TV assists Finance officials with monitoring of Parliamentary Question time and Estimates hearings.

Current channels provided under the Foxtel subscription are:

BBC World

Bloomberg Television

CNBC

CNN

Fox News Channel

Sky News Channel

Parliamentary TV is a single channel service

- b) Year to date (to 30 April 2013) costs are:
 - Parliamentary TV - \$6,651
 - Foxtel - \$ 27,910

2.

- a)
 - The Age
 - The Australian
 - The Australian Financial Review
 - The Canberra Times
 - The Daily Telegraph
 - The Financial Times (UK)
 - The Herald Sun
 - The Land
 - The Sydney Morning Herald

Newspaper subscriptions provide information that may be used to inform policy development, provide advice to government, and monitor news, current affairs and trends

- b) Year to date (to 30 April 2013) costs are: \$58,735.52

3.

- a)
 - Adnews
 - APC Magazine
 - Australian Economic Review
 - Australian Journal of Public Administration
 - Australia and New Zealand Property Journal
 - Australian Medicine
 - B&T
 - Budget Monitor
 - Business Outlook
 - Business Review Weekly
 - Campaign Brief
 - CommsDay
 - Communication Arts Magazine
 - The Economist
 - The Financial Times – Weekend edition
 - Harvard Business Review
 - Media Week
 - Motor Magazine
 - OECD Economic Outlook
 - OECD Journal
 - PC User Magazine
 - Pharma In Focus
 - Property Australia Magazine
 - Property Data
 - Public Administration
 - The Quarterly Essay
 - The Spectator
 - Wheels Magazine
 - Workplace Info

Magazine subscriptions provide information that may be used to inform policy development, provide advice to government, and monitor news, current affairs and trends.

b) Year to date (to 30 April 2013) costs are: \$13,967.64

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ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian Electoral Commission

Outcome/Program: General

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Answer:

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Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: ComSuper

Outcome/Program:

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Answer:

1. Nil.
 - a) N/A.
 - b) Nil.
2.
 - a) The Australian
The Canberra Times
The Financial Review.

The reason for each of ComSuper's newspaper subscription is to keep abreast of current events.

- a) ComSuper has spent \$4,044 on newspaper subscriptions between 1 July 2012 and 30 April 2013.

3.

- a) Government News magazine
- AHRI magazine
- InDesign emagazine
- Harvard Business Review
- Super Review magazine
- The Economist magazine.

The reason for each of ComSuper's magazine subscription is to keep abreast of current events and information.

- b) ComSuper has spent \$669 on magazine subscriptions between 1 July 2012 and 30 April 2013.

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Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation

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Answer:

1.
 - a) Foxtel – Business Value Package
Bloomberg TV
Sky News
Fox News
 - b) \$825

2.
 - a) The Australian
Canberra Times
Sydney Morning Herald
Financial Review
Financial Times London

Media monitoring – staff education.
 - b) \$3,653

3.

- a) The Economist
Harvard Business Review
Pensions & Investments
Journal of Portfolio Management

Staff education.

- b) \$2,385

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Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Future Fund Management Agency

Outcome/Program:

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Answer:

1.
 - a) Foxtel. The Future Fund operates in financial markets and we subscribe to Foxtel Business Premium Package to gain access to the business and news channels.
 - b) \$1,431
2.
 - a) The Age
The Australian
The Australian Financial Review
Financial Times
We subscribe to access business, economic and financial news and comment.
 - b) \$5,809.69
3.
 - a) None
 - b) N/A