Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee —Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2013

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: Coffee Machines

Question: 127

Written Senator Ryan

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- a. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff useage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.
- b. Why were coffee machines purchased?
- c. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
- d. Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?
- e. Who has access?
- f. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
- g. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?
- h. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff useage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.
- i. Why are coffee machines rented?
- j. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
- k. Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?
- 1. Who has access?
- m. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
- n. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?

Answer

- a) No, DPS has not purchased any coffee machines for staff usage this financial year to 31 March 2013.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Not applicable.
- e) Not applicable.
- f) Not applicable.
- g) Not applicable.
- h) No, DPS has not rented any coffee machines for staff usage this financial year to 31 March 2013.
- i) Not applicable.
- j) Not applicable.
- k) Not applicable.
- I) Not applicable.
- m) Not applicable.
- n) Not applicable.