Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Topic: Travel Expenditure
Written Question on Notice

Senator Fielding asked:

- 1. How much money has the portfolio spent on domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
- 2. How much money has the portfolio spent on overseas airfares for each of the last three financial years?
- 3. How much money has the portfolio spent on economy class domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
- 4. How much money has the portfolio spent on business class domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
- 5. How much has the portfolio spent on first class domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
- 6. What would be the estimated financial year dollar saving if all public servants in the portfolio travelled economy class for flights of less than one and a half hours duration?

Answer:

1. The public money spent on domestic airfares was as follows:

2002-03 \$22,075 2003-04 \$21,197 2004-05 \$28,669

2. The public money spent on overseas airfares was as follows:

2002-03 \$2,984 2003-04 \$9,347 2004-05 \$9,612

3. The public money spent on economy class domestic airfares was as follows:

2002-03 \$7,849 2003-04 \$6,958 2004-05 \$12,057

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4. The public money spent on business class domestic airfares was as follows:

2002-03 \$14,226 2003-04 \$14,239 2004-05 \$16,612

- 5. Nil.
- 6. In accordance with the Remuneration Tribunal determination, Trustees travel Business class at all times. In respect of Board staff, they are not engaged under the Public Service Act.