Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES – 2 MARCH 2017 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Ground Transport

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Question:

What was the Department's total expenditure on the following categories of ground transport in calendar year 2016 (GST <u>inclusive</u>):

- a) taxi hire;
- b) limousine hire;
- c) private hire car; and
- d) ridesharing services.

Answer:

- a) \$2.90 million.
- b) and c) The Department spent \$0.62 million on private hire cars, including hire cars with driver services.
- d) The Department does not maintain a registry of ridesharing services. Over 43,000 transactions are coded against 'travel' and would require an unreasonable diversion of resources to analyse for ridesharing services expenditure.