

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Social Services Portfolio
2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programs

Question No: 922

Topic: Hospitality and entertainment

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Ludwig asked:

Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on the entertainment and hospitality items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

Answer:

The Department and Portfolio Bodies have stringent rules regarding the use of funds for the purpose of providing hospitality. Hospitality (which includes any entertainment) is used when required, for business purposes, which is separate to spending on planned events held across Australia to recognise important and significant dates.