

**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: 954**

**Topic: Coffee machines**

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**Senator Ludwig** asked:

Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage since Additional Estimates in February, 2014?

- a) 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 from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 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?

**Answer:**

The Department and agencies have not purchased any coffee machines for staff usage since Additional Estimates in February 2014.