

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 1 JUNE 2017 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

Topic: Departmental Functions

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Question:

In relation to expenditure on any functions or official receptions etc hosted by the Department or agencies in the portfolio since 1 March 2017, can the following please be provided:

- list of functions;
- list of attendees;
- function venue;
- itemised list of costs (GST inclusive);
- details of any food served;
- details of any wines or champagnes served including brand and vintage; and
- details of any entertainment provided.

Answer:

The Department hosts functions for the community including the provision of tea, coffee and biscuits for community support services such as Financial Information Services seminars.

The Department's systems do not capture information at the level of detail requested and it would require an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources to provide these details.