

Senate Community Affairs Committee

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Question:

For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of electronic equipment was provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12.

Answer:

The cost for the purchase of electronic equipment for the financial year 2011-12 was \$39,440.

The Department of Health and Ageing provided its three Ministers and Parliamentary Secretary and their offices with the option to use a range of electronic and office equipment including a Blackberry, mobile broadband card, printer, mobile/portable computing device, desktop computer, multi-function devices, printers including secure Cabinet printers, televisions, DVD players, transcription kits, label makers and fax machines.

Equipment was provided in order for the Ministers/Parliamentary Secretary and their staff to undertake Portfolio related business. Previously purchased items returned to the Department are redeployed wherever possible within Ministerial/Parliamentary Secretary offices.

The breakdown of information relating to the ongoing costs of electronic equipment for the financial year 2011-12 is not readily available without the diversion of significant resources.