Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014 - 2015, 22 October 2014

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OUTCOME: 0 - Whole of Portfolio

Topic: Building Lease Costs

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

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Question:

- 1. Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014 what has been the total cost of building leases for the agency / department?
- a) Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by:
- i. Date the lease agreement is active from.
- ii. Date the lease agreement ends.
- iii. Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not?
- iv. Location of the building (City and state).
- v. Cost of the lease.
- vi. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.
- b) Please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed during the specified period. Please detail by:
- i. Date from which the lease agreement was active.
- ii. Date the lease agreement ended.
- iii. Why was the lease not renewed?
- iv. Location of the building (City and state).
- v. Cost of the lease.
- vi. Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department.
- c) Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by:
- i. Date the lease agreement is expected to become active.
- ii. Date the lease agreement is expected to end.
- iii. Expected location of the building (City and state).
- iv. Expected cost of the lease. Has this cost been allocated into the budget?
- v. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.
- d) For each building owned or leased by the department:
- i. What is the current occupancy rate for the building?
- ii. If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for.

Answer:

Division/ Agency	1. June 1, 2014 – September 30, 2014	a) i - vi	b) i - vi	c) i - v	d) i - ii
Department of Health	\$14,668,425 (Cost include rent and outgoings)	To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.		Property strategy for next 12 months is being reviewed due to Budget outcomes and agency changes.	To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources