

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

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Topic: Taxis costs

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis during the specified period?
Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.
2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?
3. How much did the department spend on taxis during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?

Answer:

1. To provide a total spend on taxis and a breakdown for each business group is an unreasonable diversion of resources.
2. nbn co has a formal Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy which requires expenses to be business related and reasons for travel to be provided and approved prior to reimbursement.
3. Not applicable to nbn.