

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

TOPIC: Workplace assessments

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Ludwig

QUESTION No.: AI-101

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

How much has been spent on workplace ergonomic assessments?

1. List each item of expenditure and cost
2. Have any assessments, not related to an existing disability, resulted in changes to workplace equipment or set up?
3. If so, list each item of expenditure and cost related to those changes

ANSWER

1. For the period 14 Sept 2015 to 25 Feb 2016 there has been approximately \$13,000 spent on workplace ergonomic assessments. There were 84 individual assessments conducted. Itemised expenditure and cost associated with changes to the workplace equipment or set up is not captured and to provide further detail would be an unreasonable diversion of resources
2. Yes, each workplace ergonomic assessment results in adjustments to the actual workstation/desk set up. A large majority require a change to equipment
3. Itemised expenditure and cost associated with changes to the workplace equipment or set up is not captured and to provide further detail would be an unreasonable diversion of resources