**Question:** BET 1242-1246

**Topic:** **Provision of Equipment (ABS)**

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**Senator BUSHBY asked:**

1242. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs.

1243. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date?

1244. What were the running costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?

1245. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive (not an inclusive list)) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.

1246. Please update if there have been any changes since Additional Estimates 2011-12 (February 2012):

    a) Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.

**Answer:**

1242-1244 & 1246.    Nil.

1245.    Devices below are used in the ABS to support personal productivity, and remote network access for knowledge worker and field data collector staff. ABS provides the following electronic devices to department/agency staff:

| item | purchase cost per unit $ | ongoing cost* per unit $ | SES | staff/classification EL1-2 | APS6 | APS1-5 |
|------|---------|---------|-----|------|------|--------|
| iPad | 710 | 830** | yes | IT support staff only | IT support staff only | IT support staff only |
| Laptop | 1010 | 520*** | yes | yes | yes, if approved by EL2 | yes, if approved by EL2 |

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| Wireless card | 190 | 830 | yes | yes | yes, if approved by EL2 | yes, if approved by EL2 |
| RSA token | 40 | 30 | yes | yes | yes | yes |
| Blackberry/iPhone/s martphone | 730 | 420 | yes | yes, if approved by FAS | yes, if approved by FAS | no |
| Basic mobile phone | 240 | 60 | yes | yes | yes, if approved by EL2 | yes, if approved by EL2 |
| USB thumb drive | 20 | 0 | yes | yes | yes | yes |

* Ongoing cost does not include non-standard software or usage

** iPad ongoing cost includes network data access
*** Laptop ongoing cost does not include network data access