

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**Treasury Portfolio**  
Budget Estimates 2014  
3 June to 5 June 2014

**Department/ Agency:** Treasury

**Question:** BET1120-1122

**Topic:** Consultancies

**Reference:** Written – 12 June 2014

**Senator:** Ludwig

**Question**

1120. How many consultancies have been undertaken from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.
1121. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.
1122. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?
- a. If so, which ones and why?

**Answer:**

1120. This information is publically available on the AusTender website at <https://www.tenders.gov.au/>
1121. Three (3) consultancies are planned for this calendar year. These have been published in the Annual Procurement Plan. The subject matter of the consultancies is Education and Training Services, Public Administration and Finance Services. The duration and cost is unknown at this stage. The method of procurement will be open tender.
1122. Yes.
- a. The consultancies referred to as ‘limited tender’ did not go out for tender as they are below the procurement threshold set out in Division 2 of the Commonwealth Procurement Rules.
- Limited tender involves an agency approaching one or more potential suppliers to make submissions, where the process does not meet the rules for open tender or prequalified tender.