

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

Department/ Agency: AASB/ AUASB

Question: BET 2901 - 2904

Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment

Reference: Written – 12 June 2014

Senator: Ludwig

Question:

- 2901 What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date including any catering and drinks costs.
- 2902 What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 2903 What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- 2904 Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

Answer: (AASB)

- 2901 None.
- 2902 None.
- 2903 The AASB Chairman retires 30 June 2014 after a five-year non-renewable term. An appropriate event, hosted at the AASB office involves catering for food and beverage at a cost of \$6,700.
- 2904 Approval for hospitality and entertainment related expense is obtained prior to the expenses being incurred. The approving officer must judge reasonableness of the event and the expenditure is provided for in the budget.
- Hospitality and entertainment spend is minimal and only approved if necessary.

Answer: (AUASB)

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- 2903 Not applicable.
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