

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Industry Portfolio  
Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing 2014-15  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

**TOPIC:** Non-Conventional Therapies

**REFERENCE:** Written Questions – Senator Ludwig

**QUESTION No.:** SI-151

Since 7 September 2013:

1. Are non-conventional therapies, for staff or ministerial use, able to be provided by the department/agency? (Including, but not limited to: Music Therapy, Hypnosis, Acupuncture, Chiropractic, Homeopathy, Naturopathy, etc) If yes:
  - a) What is the process by which these therapies can be approved?
  - b) Who are they available to?
  - c) Please detail the reasons the therapies able to be provided (e.g. Work Place Agreement, recommended by a report to the department, etc)?
2. Has the department/agency paid for any non-conventional therapy for any Minister or staff? If yes:
  - a) What therapies have been provided?
  - b) What were they used to treat?  
What was the cost of the therapy?

**ANSWER**

1. No.
2. No.