

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

2014 - 2015

Department/Agency: ABS

Question: SBT601-602

Topic: Merchandise or promotional material

Reference: Written - 30 October 2014

Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

Since 7 September 2013:

601. Has the department purchased any merchandise or promotional material?
602. List by item, and purpose for each item, including if the material is for a specific policy or program or for a generic purpose (note that purpose)
- a) List the cost for each item
 - b) List the quantity of each item
 - c) Who suggested these materials be created?
 - d) Who approved its creation?
 - e) Provide copies of authorisation
 - f) When was the Minister informed of the material being created?
 - g) Who created the material?
 - h) How was that person selected?
 - i) How many individuals or groups were considered in selecting who to create the material?

Answer:

601-602.

The ABS purchases a range of merchandise and promotional material relating to the 2016 Census of Population and Housing, 2014 Census Test, and general survey and business operations. To attempt to provide this level of detail would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.