

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Agency – Fair Work Ombudsman

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000467

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

FWO - Taxi costs

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis during the specified period? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.
2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?
3. How much did the department spend on taxis during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?

Answer

During the period 15 September 2015 to 31 January 2016, the Fair Work Ombudsman spent \$154,938.76 on taxis.

Business Group	Amount (\$)
Operations	78,649.18
Corporate	58,641.58
Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman, Policy, Media and Communications	17,648.00
Total	154,938.76

Staff use of taxis as part of approved business travel in accordance with the Fair Work Ombudsman's Domestic Travel Policy.

There was no expenditure on taxis for the Minister or the Minister's office.