Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Agency - Comcare

Department of Employment Question No. EM0457_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

Comcare - Travel costs

a) Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). b) Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. c) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

Answer

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Nil.

b) Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

Total travel costs since Additional Estimates in February 2014. Reasons for travel include inspections, audits, attending meetings and training.

Fares	\$239,327
Accommodation	\$111,158
Meals	\$32,498
Other	\$37,846

c) What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.

Travel costs for the rest of the calendar year will be approximately \$1.1million and relate to inspections, audits, attending meetings and training.