Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee: Answers to written Questions on Notice Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013–14 Parliamentary Departments Portfolio November 2013

Department: Parliamentary Budget Office

Topic: Briefings for other parties

Senator: Senator Ludwig

Question reference number: 73

Type of question: Written

Question

Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include:

- a. How are briefings requests commissioned?
- b. What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.
- c. Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information.
- d. Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed.
- e. How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.
- f. Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information?

Answer

Any engagement by the Parliamentary Budget Office with the Independents has been on a confidential basis and cannot be disclosed.