Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee: Answers to written Questions on Notice Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014–15 Parliamentary Departments Portfolio October 2014

Department Parliamentary Budget Office

Topic Fee for services

Senator Senator Ludwig

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Type of question Written

Question

- Since September 7 2013, have any existing services provided by the department / agency moved from being free to a user-pay service? Have any additional fees been placed on existing services? If yes please provide a list and include:
 - a Name of the fee and a short description of what it covers.
 - b How much is the fee (and is it a flat fee or a percentage of the service).
 - c The date the fee came into place.
 - d Were any reviews requested, commenced or completed into the benefits and drawbacks of attaching the fee to the service? If yes, please detail and provide a copy of the review.
 - e What consultation was carried out before the fee was put into place?
 - f How was the fee put into place (e.g. through legislation, regulation changes etc)?
 - g What justification is there for the fee?

Answer

Not applicable.