

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee  
—Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing—October 2015**

**Answers to Questions on Notice**

**Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services**

Topic: **Original cost of Marble table**

Question: **26**

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**Mr Ryan:** When the table was supplied it was—I will just have to check that up—about \$590, I believe, but I will just confirm that.

**Senator WONG:** And replacement cost?

**Mr Ryan:** For the damage to the tabletop, we are currently waiting for quotes to come in for a replacement tabletop.

**Dr Heriot:** We do not have that cost yet, Senator.

**Senator WONG:** Hang on, you provided a new table.

**Dr Heriot:** That was a table from store. In repairing the damaged table, we have had some internal labour to address issues on the base.

**Senator WONG:** What are the 'issues on the base'?

**Dr Heriot:** There is slight damage to the base, so maintenance staff are repairing that, and we are waiting for quotations for the top.

**Senator WONG:** So you are replacing the top?

**Dr Heriot:** Yes.

**Senator WONG:** The original cost was just under \$600, was it, Mr Ryan?

**Mr Ryan:** Yes.

**Answer**

The original cost of the brass base of the table was \$590.

DPS is unable to determine from the records the original cost of the marble table top.