

**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: **Damaged marble table**

Question: **30**

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Senator McKENZIE: Were the cleaners your information source for your understanding that the table may have been damaged by a person dancing upon it?

Mr Ryan: I believe they were, yes.

Senator McKENZIE: The cleaners?

Senator SMITH: The cleaners were not there.

Mr Ryan: I would have to check that one.

Answer

To the best of our knowledge the cleaners were not present at the event. The anecdotal advice referred to in the email included media reports circulating at that time.