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Topic: Briefings for other parties

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to the Australian Greens?

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 Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.

2. 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?

3. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to parties other than Labor or the Greens? 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 parties have requested briefings and/or information?

Answer:

1. No.
2. No.
3. No.