

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2011-2012**

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Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Ministerial Handover

1. Please provide a list of all equipment that was purchased by the Department for the use of Minister Evans or his office. Specifying: a. The cost of the equipment. b. The justification for use of the equipment. c. Where is the equipment now?

2. Please provide a list of all equipment that has been purchased by the Department for the use of Minister Shorten or his office. Specifying: a. Whether that request was approved. b. The cost of the equipment. c. The justification for use of the equipment. d. Where is the equipment now?

Answer

The Department provides Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and their offices with equipment to assist Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their staff to undertake their work.

The Department is in the process of collecting all equipment that was issued to Minister Evans and his office as part of outgoing Minister arrangements.

A list of equipment purchased for Minister Shorten and/or his office, as at 19 April 2012, including the total cost of each category of device, is at Table A. The equipment is located in his Parliament House and Electorate Offices. Mobile devices such as blackberries and iPads accompany the individual they are issued to.

Table A

Type	Number of Devices	Total Cost (\$)
Blackberry	15	9,706.95
Cabinet Terminal	1	125.00
Cabinet Terminal Printer	1	125.00
Desktop PC	26	23,304.84
DVD Player	2	1,300.00
iPad	5	4,557.40
iPhone	1	908.18
Laptop	13	15,524.34
Mobile Wireless USB Device	13	3,900.00
Multifunction Device	2	21,425.00
Printer	4	1,836.00
Remote Access Token	11	2,042.81
TV	7	3,150.00
Video Conferencing	2	300.00