

**Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Additional Estimates 2013-2014**

**Cross Portfolio**

**Department of Employment Question No. EM0318\_14**

**Senator Ludwig provided in writing.**

**Question**

**Taxi costs**

- a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.
- b) What are the reasons for taxi costs?

**Answer**

For the period 1 December 2013 to 28 February 2014, the Department of Employment<sup>1</sup> spent \$50 081.88 on taxi costs.

A breakdown by each business group is not readily available and would require an unreasonable diversion of resources to generate.

Taxis are utilised where they provide the most cost-effective transport option to deliver the outcomes of the department, including where staff are interstate on business.

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<sup>1</sup> Corporate and the State Office Network provide services to the Department of Employment and the Department of Education. The value associated with these functions has been attributed to both departments.