

Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Senator Polley asked:

Have you done any analysis in relation to the costs and the budget for the calls, because I think one of the main issues when they were first introduced was the amount of PDAs that were dropping out and in some cases having to return the call three times. Have you done an analysis on whether there has been an increased cost to members' and senators' mobile phone usage over the last two years?

Answer:

No analysis has been undertaken in relation to the costs and budget for these calls.

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