

# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee —Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2013

## Answers to Questions on Notice

### Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Hire Cars**  
Question: **139**  
Written **Senator Ryan**

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 2 April 2013**

- a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.
- b) What are the reasons for hire car costs?

#### Answer

- a) DPS spent \$5,153 (ex-GST) on hire cars for this financial year up to 31 December 2012. The table below shows the breakdown of hire car costs for each business group within DPS.

<b>Branch/Section</b>	<b>Cost \$</b>
Infrastructure Services Branch	676
Building Services Branch	1,287
Content Management Branch	1,989
Office of the Secretary	1,201
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,153</b>

- b) Hire cars are used for official travel activities when they are the most cost-effective method for transporting employees and/or support equipment (eg broadcasting recording equipment, projectors, PCs, etc).