**Department/Agency:** Department of the Senate **Topic:** Freedom of Information

Senator: Senator Ryan Question reference number: 18 Type of question: Written

## Questions

**1.** Has the department/agency received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests?

## Answer

No.

2. What is the total cost to the department/agency to process FOI requests for this financial year?

## Answer

Not applicable.

# 3. How many FOI requests did the department/agency receive for this financial year?

## Answer

One FOI request has been received this financial year (2012-13).

## 4. How many requests were denied and how many were granted?

## Answer

In relation to this one FOI request, access to the information sought was granted.

5. Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many and why? Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?

## Answer

No, the department has not failed to meet the processing times for this request.

No requests are outstanding.

6. What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date?

Answer

Not applicable.

7. How many FOI requests has the Department received for this financial year to date? How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted? Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many and why? Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?

## Answer

Refer responses to questions 18(3) - 18(5) above.