

**Senate Finance & Public Administration Committee:**  
**Answers to written Questions on Notice Additional Estimates 2012-13**  
**Parliamentary Departments Portfolio**

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**Department:** Parliamentary Budget Office

**Topic:** Hospitality and entertainment

**Senator:** Senator Scott Ryan

**Question reference number:** 63

**Type of question:** Written

**Question**

- a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- c) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- e) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- f) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- g) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- h) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- i) Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?

**Answer**

- a) Nil to 31 January 2013.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Nil to 31 January 2013.
- d) Not applicable.
- e) Nil.
- f) Not applicable.
- g) Nil.
- h) Not applicable.
- i) Not applicable.