

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Finance and Administration Portfolio**

**Department of Finance and Administration**

**Budget Estimates Hearings 2004-05 – 26 May 2004**

**Question: F25**

**Outcome: Australian Electoral Commission**

**Topic: ELIAS**

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**Senator George Brandis asked:**

In 2003-04, how many political parties or MPs have received ELIAS and at what cost?

**Answer:**

The answer provided to me by the Australian Electoral Commission is as follows;

In 2003-04 to date, there have been 199 recipients of ELIAS. Of these, 195 recipients were either registered political parties with parliamentary representation or Members/Senators who received ELIAS free of charge. The remaining 3 recipients were political parties without parliamentary representation who were charged \$38.50 (including GST) each.

Excluding staff costs, the total cost of producing the 199 discs was \$1,680.32.