

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Human Services and agencies

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Question: HS16

Outcome 1, Output 1

Topic: Core Department – Costings documentation

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SENATOR EVANS asked the Minister for Human Services, upon written notice:

Mr Leeper—And I just indicated that the advice about the need to provide cost estimates was conveyed orally by our parliamentary area to the agencies. In support of that, at some point there will be some general guidance about how to cost things. But that will be \$40 for non-SES and \$60 per hour for SES input.

Senator WONG—Are you able to provide me with documentation associated with the direction?

Mr Leeper—I cannot.

Senator WONG—You cannot?

Mr Leeper—Not here, no.

Senator WONG—Is it going to be too onerous to provide that?

Mr Leeper—I guarantee that we will provide it.

Answer:

The answer to this question was provided during the hearing. Reference can be found in the Hansard at F&PA 124.

To prepare this answer it has taken approximately 1 hour at an estimated cost of \$63.