

**Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

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**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

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**Senator Ronaldson asked:**

I am not going to mention a particular senator's name, but this was a function at the Lotus Room at the Southern Cross yacht club, certainly a working-class venue—not. It mentions a group of panellists, and payment is \$60 or \$55, which is to be paid to a Ms Martin, with an address at aph.gov.au. Minister, as you know, I am very circumspect about names, but are you aware that that particular person is an adviser to the senator that I referred to before? On that basis, how can you possibly indicate that both of them are not Labor Party fundraisers and how can you possibly indicate that your own rules and the rules of—

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**Senator RONALDSON**—Minister, will you take on notice, please, whether indeed these two functions were cost-recovery only or whether they were fundraisers.

**Answer:**

The CCSTU provides a billboard notice, providing a diary note on upcoming functions. I am not informed of the details of each event that is advertised, and was not informed of the details of these particular events.