

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Budget Estimates Hearing 21-24 May 2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome/Program: 1.1.1 Domestic Policy

Topic: Media Subscriptions

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

1. Has there been any change to your pay TV subscription since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)?
 - a. If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels.
 - b. What is the cost for this financial year to date?

2. Has there been any change to your newspaper subscriptions since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)?
 - a. If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers.
 - b. What is the cost for this financial year to date?

3. Has there been any change to your magazine subscriptions since the 2011-12 Additional Estimates (February 2012)?
 - a. If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines.
 - b. What is the cost for this financial year to date?

Answer:

The response only refers to information relating to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet. Newspapers and magazines costs are reported against the same general ledger item therefore costs are combined in the response to Questions 2 and 3. To attempt to separate these costs would involve an unreasonable diversion of resources.

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1. No.
 - a. N/A.
 - b. The cost for this financial year to date is \$11,302.80.

2. No.
 - a. N/A.
 - b. The cost for the financial year to date is \$88,409.64

3. No.
 - a. N/A.
 - b. The cost for the financial year to date is included in the answer to 2b.