

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee  
—Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2013**

**Answers to Questions on Notice**

**Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services**

Topic: **Media Monitoring**

Question: **123**

Written **Senator Ryan**

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 12 July 2013**

- a. What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office for this financial year to date?
  - i. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
  - ii. What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?
  - iii. What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?
- b. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency for this financial year to date?
  - i. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
  - ii. What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?
  - iii. What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?

**Answer**

- a) Not applicable
- b) Press clippings purchased by the Parliamentary Library this financial year 1 July to 31 March 2013 cost \$145,287.36 (ex-GST).
  - i. The clips are purchased from Media Monitors.
  - ii. The estimated budget for 2012-13 is \$193,978 (ex-GST)
  - iii. \$145,287.36 (ex-GST).