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

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: Provision of Equipment

Question: 145

Written Senator Ryan

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- d. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs?
- e. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date?
- f. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.
- g. Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.

Answer

Answer

- a) Not applicable. DPS is a parliamentary department.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Yes. These devices are allocated to SES officers and staff who require electronic equipment as part of their duties.

| Devices | No. | Individual purchase cost | Average annual running costs per device | Staff classification |
|--------------------|-----|--------------------------|---|----------------------|
| Tablets (eg iPads) | 61 | \$385–\$835* | \$160 | PSL4 to SES |
| Laptops | 197 | \$1710–\$3933 | \$850 | PSL3 to SES |
| RSA tokens | 208 | n/a | \$25 | PSL4 to SES |
| Mobile phones ** | 181 | \$90–\$930 | \$170 | PSL1 to SES |

^{*} excludes AGIMO administration fee (6%)

d) Not applicable.

^{**} includes BlackBerrys