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

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: Office Locations

Question: 150

Written Senator Ryan

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

- a. Please provide a list of all office locations for all departments and agencies within the portfolio by:
 - 1. Department/Agency;
 - 2. Location;
 - 3. Leased or Owned;
 - 4. Size;
 - 5. Number of Staff at each location and classification;
 - 6. If rented, the amount and breakdown of rent per square metre;
 - 7. If owned, the value of the building;
 - 8. Depreciation of buildings that are owned;
 - 9. Type of functions and work undertaken.

Answer

- 1. DPS is one of four parliamentary departments and is not part of a broader Portfolio.
- 2. Capital Hill, Canberra.
- 3. DPS administers Parliament House on behalf of the Australian Government.
- 4. The habitable space of Parliament House is 193,379.38m².
- 5. The number of staff by classification employed by DPS in Parliament House at 31 March 2013 is as follows:

Classification	Number of employees
Apprentice	1
Parliamentary Service Level 1	21
Parliamentary Service Level 1/2	138
Parliamentary Service Level 1/2/3	4
Parliamentary Service Level 2	70
Parliamentary Service Level 2/3	30
Parliamentary Service Level 3	55
Parliamentary Service Level 4	103
Parliamentary Service Level 4/5	15
Parliamentary Service Level 5	56
Parliamentary Service Level 5/6	59
Parliamentary Service Level 6	98
Parliamentary Executive Level 1	119
Parliamentary Executive Level 2	40
SES Band 1	8
SES Band 2	1
Parliamentary Librarian	1
Secretary	1
Total	820

- 6. Not applicable.
- 7. The value (ie net book value) of the building as at 31 March 2013 was \$2.009 billion.
- 8. The accumulated depreciation of the building as at 31 March 2013 was \$620.143 million.
- 9. The role of the Department is to support the work of the Parliament, maintain Parliament House, and ensure that the building and parliamentary activity is accessible. The Department does this through the provision of broadcasting and Hansard services, information and research services, security, visitor services, building and landscaping maintenance and ICT systems, and through the contracting of various services across Parliament House.