

**Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Finance and Administration Portfolio**

**Australian Electoral Commission**

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing – October 2006

**Question: F2**

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**Topic: BRIDGE Electoral Administrators Course**

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**Senator Ray asked:**

In the last financial year, how much has the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) spent on the BRIDGE electoral administrators course?

**Answer:**

During 2005-06, the AEC spent \$90,358 on the BRIDGE programme. This figure included approximately \$70,000 for the contractors who reviewed and update the curriculum material for the new version of BRIDGE; with the remainder for printing, audio-visual costs and the development of the BRIDGE website. A further \$169,718 was spent on salaries for AEC staff conducting the BRIDGE programmes.