

**Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing – October 2008**

**Department of Finance and Deregulation**

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**



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**Senator Ronaldson asked:**

Please provide the latest estimate of annual costs of operation of the CCSTU including staff salaries, travel expenses, ministerial and parliamentary staff allowance, administrative expenses, and other?

**Answer:**

The administrative support budget for the CCSTU for the financial year 2008-09 is \$155,000. The annualised salary costs for CCSTU staff (made up of salary, parliamentary allowances and superannuation entitlements) are expected to total \$1,139,628.97 in the financial year 2008-09. There is no annual travel budget for the CCSTU. Based on actual travel costs up to 20 October 2008 of \$48,062.30, travel expenditure for 2008-09 is estimated to be in the order of \$156,000.