

Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Department of Finance and Deregulation

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Senator Michael Ronaldson asked:

Can you provide the committee with an updated estimate of annual costs of operation of the CCSTU, including salaries, travel expenses, ministerial and parliamentary staff allowance, administrative expenses, and other?

Answer:

The current annualised salary costs for CCSTU staff (made up of salary, parliamentary allowances (PSA) and superannuation) are \$480,990.27.

As expenditure on travel and administrative support costs fluctuate from month to month it is not possible to estimate accurately an annual figure.

During preparation of the answer to this question, it became apparent that the answer provided to question F68(a) following the May 2009 hearings included a PSA figure that should not have been disaggregated from the total figure given for salaries. The salaries figure provided had already included PSA.