

Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 October 2009 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Human Services Portfolio

Topic: Child Support Program – Optical Surveillance

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Question:

At 31 May 2009, the cost of the trial was \$337,807. (HS7, Answer to Question on Notice) a) What was the cost of the trial as at 30 June 2009? b) What is the breakdown of that cost?

Answer:

- a) The cost of the trial as at 30 June 2009 was \$362,060.
- b) Of this amount, \$71,014 was expended on external surveillance providers and \$291,046 was expended on staff salary, related administrative costs, training and corporate on costs.