

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of Finance and Deregulation

Outcome/Program: General

Topic: Community Cabinet Meetings

Senator: Ryan

Question reference number: F69

Type of question: Written

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: Friday, 2 December 2011

Number of pages: 2

Question:

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Answer:

- a) Minister for Finance and Deregulation - Nil
Special Minister of State - \$3,945.72*
- b) Minister for Finance and Deregulation - Nil
The Special Minister of State – One, at a cost of \$2,128.49*
- c) Minister for Finance and Deregulation - Nil

Special Minister of State - Nil

d) \$6,074.21*

From 1 July 2011 to 30 September 2011

e) Minister for Finance and Deregulation - \$2,880.51*

Special Minister of State - Nil

f) Minister for Finance and Deregulation – One, at a cost of \$2,133.95*

Special Minister of State - Nil

g) Minister for Finance and Deregulation – One, at a cost of \$813.22

Special Minister of State - Nil

h) \$5,827.68*

*Without consultation with the travellers, the information provided above relies on an assumption that all travel to and from relevant locations immediately before and after the relevant Cabinet meetings, was for the purposes of attending the Cabinet meetings.

The above figures include airfares and Travelling Allowance (including Motor Vehicle Allowance) claims. They do not include travel by taxis (due to the difficulties determining exact destinations using the electronic information as provided by Cabcharge), or travel on Special Purpose Aircraft (which is administered by the Department of Defence).

Costs are GST Exclusive.

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Answer:

- a) – h) Please refer to the Department of Finance and Deregulation's response.

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Answer:

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Answer:

- a) - h) Not applicable.