

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government

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Topic: Media Subscriptions - Pay TV

Asked By: Senator RYAN

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Does your department or agencies within your portfolio subscribe to pay TV (for example Foxtel)?

- a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels.
- b) What was the cost for 2010-11?
- c) What is the estimated cost for 2011-12?

Answer:

Yes, the Department subscribes to Foxtel.

- a) The cost is \$57 per month per subscription. There are five subscriptions. The subscriptions are limited to news channels for the Senior Executive to enable them to keep abreast of current events.
- b) The Department was established on 14 September 2010. The total cost for the nine month period 1 October 2010 - 30 June 2011 was \$2,565.
- c) The estimated cost for 2011-2012 is \$3,420.