

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee —Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing—October 2012

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Provision of equipment**

Question: **160**

Written **Senator Ryan**

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 30 November 2012

- a. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12.
- b. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of electronic equipment was provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12.
- c. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) was provided to department/agency staff for 2011 12, provide details of what was provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.

Answer

- a) Not applicable. DPS is a parliamentary department.
- b) Not applicable. DPS is not responsible for providing electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries.

Note that DPS provides electronic equipment to the electorate offices of all Senators and Members, according to entitlement policy established under the *Parliamentary Entitlements Act 1990*.

- c) Information relating to 2011–12 included in response to previous question (159).