SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Question No. 99

Senator Fielding asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2005:

- (a) How much money has the portfolio spent on domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
- (b) How much money has the portfolio spent on overseas airfares for each of the last three financial years?
- (c) How much money has the portfolio spent on economy class domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
- (d) How much money has the portfolio spent on business class domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
- (e) How much has the portfolio spent on first class domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
- (f) What would be the estimated financial year dollar saving if all public servants in the portfolio travelled economy class for flights of less than one and a half hours duration?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

	Financial Year	\$
(a)	2002–03 2003–04 2004–05	16,037,574 18,571,455 21,331,894
(b)	2002–03 2003–04 2004–05	9,428,107 9,714,065 12,836,159
(c)	2002–03 2003–04 2004–05	12,271,481 14,678,379 17,175,394
(d)	2002–03 2003–04 2004–05	3,824,395 4,052,071 4,356,339
(e)	2002–03 2003–04 2004–05	1,698 1,004 1.162

(f) Based on 2004–05, savings would be \$447,376.

These responses do not include data from the Australian Government Solicitor and the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, and agencies have approached some of the responses differently.