

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Questions on Notice Budget Estimates Thursday 30 May 2013

Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport Portfolio

Q no.	Program/ Division or Agency	Senator	Broad topic	Question	Proof Hansard page & hearing date or Written Q	Date rec'd	Date tabled
1	Corporate	JOYCE	Current staffing numbers	<p>Ms Beauchamp: Certainly. I can point you to this year's budget papers under outcome 1. On page 36 for outcome 1, which covers a range of regional programs and local government programs, we have an average staffing level predicted in the order of 212. That also includes an attribution of corporate staff as well. Like I said, at any one point in time it varies in terms of the number of people that are working on either local government or regional, depending on what issues are coming up.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: So we have 212 at the moment?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: That is the forecast average staffing level for 2013-14, as per the budget papers.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: How many do you have at the moment?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: Right now, as at today?</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: Yes.</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: In the local government area I would have to go back—my apologies—and add up from today the number of people working on the National Disaster Recovery Taskforce, the constitutional recognition of local government area, the people working on the Financial Assistance Grants Review, the organisation that we are doing around the ACLG, working with ALGA and others. So I would actually have to take that on notice for a particular point in time....</p>	RRA&T 5		

2	Corporate	JOYCE	Funding for various programs	<p>Senator JOYCE: As well as the Clean Energy Future, can you get back some time—I do not want to put all of these notice again—or can I rely on you to get back to us on the Regional Structural Adjustment package, community infrastructure grants, Northern Australia Sustainable Futures and the Regional and Rural Research and Development Grants. In fact, I will ask for those more pertinently: RDA committees and the Regional Development Australia Fund. I will just start with the last one first and I will pull up and put the rest on notice.</p>	RRA&T 8		
3	Corporate	JOYCE	Last tender process undertaken	<p>Senator JOYCE: What was the last tender process that you did and how long did it take?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: It all depends on what you are tendering for - whether you are tendering for -</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: Just the last one. What was the last tender process that you did?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	RRA&T 8		
4	Corporate	BRANDIS	Timing of responses to QoNs	<p>Ms Beauchamp: A batch sent up on 17 April and we continued to provide, as you can see from the amount of work required, those answers up until 10 May.</p> <p>Senator BRANDIS: Well, just pausing there, Ms Beauchamp, 17 April was already 12 days after the deadline. Mr Crean was dismissed on 21 March, so were an earlier set of answers sent to Mr Crean?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I would have to take that on notice because across the portfolio, as I mentioned, there was a very, very large number of questions on notice taken.</p>	RRA&T 37		
5	Corporate	BRANDIS	Clearance of QoNs by Minister Burke	<p>Senator BRANDIS: No, no, you are not, but it is not your fault. I just want to make that as plain as can be. It is not your fault but you are the officers at the table. I am looking for an explanation as to why there has been such an egregious delay here. I can only imagine it is because the minister's office did not clear these answers that your department had supplied. When were these 372 pages of answers, which were provided at one o'clock yesterday, cleared by the minister's office?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I would have to take that on notice and see when they were....I can only assume that, given that Minister Burke was away overseas, he would have probably cleared them when he returned, so it would have been after Tuesday evening.</p>	RRA&T 37		

				<p>Senator BRANDIS: After Tuesday?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I am making that assumption. As I said, I will take that on notice.</p>			
6	Corporate	SMITH	Media material prepared by the Department	<p>Please provide copies of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. all media related materials prepared by the Department of Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport for the Office of the Minister for Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport; and 2. copies of all articles published in newspapers and magazines that appear under the authorship of the Minister for Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport that were prepared by the officials in the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport. 	Written		
7	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Staffing – Recruitment FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff? 2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff? 3. This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period? 	Written		
8	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Staffing – Separations FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency this financial year to date? What classification were these staff? 2. How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency this financial year to date? What classification were these staff? 3. How many contract staff left department/agency in the year this financial year to date? What classification were these staff? 	Written		
9	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Staffing – Reductions FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred this financial year to date? What was the reason for these reductions? 2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details. 3. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut. 4. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening. 	Written		

				5. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.			
10	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Public Service Efficiencies	<p>1. Please provide details of the amended operational efficiencies your agency will make as per 2013-14 Budget Measure 'Public Service efficiencies' (see 2013-14 Budget Paper No 2 p108).</p> <p>In addition, please provide the following detail:</p> <p>2. Can you quantify the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates for savings achieved by implementing more efficient management structures, through a reduction in expenditure on staff across the Executive Level (EL) 1 and 2, and Senior Executive Service (SES) levels?</p> <p>3. Can you quantify the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates for savings achieved by revising down the occupational density target for all new leases, buildings and major fit-outs undertaken by agencies from 16 square metres per occupied work point down to 14 square metres?</p>	Written		
11	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Public Service Efficiencies – Operational Efficiencies	<p>1. Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>2. Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>3. Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p> <p>4. Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much? Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?</p>	Written		
12	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Printing Costs FYTD	<p>1. How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed this financial year to date?</p> <p>2. How many of these printed documents were also published online?</p>	Written		

13	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Graduate Recruitment 2014	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide an update on expenditure for 2014 Graduate Recruitment to date? Please itemise and detail costs. 2. Has any travel been incurred for 2014 Graduate Recruitment? Please itemise and detail costs 	Written		
14	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Advertising FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What was the total cost of all advertising for the financial year to date? 2. Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services. 3. Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item. 4. Has the Peer Review Group (PRG) and/or Independent Communications Committee (ICC) provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item. 5. Did the Advertising comply with the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies? Provide the details for each advertising item. 6. Provide details for any other communications program, including details of the program, the total spend and the business that provided the communication services. 7. What advertising – Campaign and Non-Campaign – and other communications programs is the Department/Agency undertaking, or are planning to undertake? 	Written		
15	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Hospitality and Entertainment FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 3. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any 	Written		

				<p>catering and drinks costs.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 6. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 7. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 8. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 9. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates? 			
16	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Meeting Costs FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs. 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. 3. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. 4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. 	Written		
17	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Program Launch Costs FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the Department/Agency's program launch spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs. 2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total program launch spend for this financial year to date. 			

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18	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Board Appointments FYTD	<p>1. Provide an update of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members.</p> <p>2. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?</p> <p>3. Please detail any board appointments for this financial year to date.</p>	Written		
19	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Freedom of Information	<p>1. Has the department/agency received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests?</p> <p>2. What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date?</p> <p>3. How many FOI requests has the Department received for this financial year to date?</p> <p>4. How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted?</p> <p>5. Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many and why?</p> <p>6. Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?</p>	Written		

20	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Community Cabinet Meetings FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide an update of how many Community Cabinet meetings has the Minister attended this financial year to date? List date and location. 2. How many Departmental Officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date? What was the total cost of this travel? List travel type, accommodate and any other expenses. Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Departmental Officers attend? List date and location. 3. What was the total cost to the Department and the Ministers office for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date? 	Written		
21	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Reviews FYTD	<p>For this financial year to date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many Reviews are being undertaken? 2. What reviews have concluded, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded? 3. Which of these reviews has been provided to Government? 4. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? 5. Has the Government responded to all reviews within the timeframe? If not, why not? 6. What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews? 7. What reviews are planned? 8. When will each of these reviews be concluded? 	Written		
22	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Consultancies FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (i.e. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies. 2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known. 	Written		

23	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Media Monitoring FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office for this financial year to date? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Which agency or agencies provided these services? b. What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13? c. What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date? 2. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency for this financial year to date? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Which agency or agencies provided these services? b. What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13? c. What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date? 	Written		
24	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Social Media	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has there been any changes to department and agency social media or protocols about staff access and usage of YouTube; online social media, such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter; and access to online discussions forums and blogs since May 2012 Budget Estimates? If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issue. 2. Does the department/agency monitor usage of social media? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. If yes, provide details of the usage (for example details could include average hours per employee, hours when usage peaks). b. Has there been a change to the department/agency protocols due to staff usage? c. If no, why not? Will the department/agency monitor usage in the future? 3. Does social media impact on employee productivity? Provide details (details could include increased internet usage in general or increased internet usage in standard business hours) 	Written		
25	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Internet Issues	Has the Department experienced any internet problems, such as but not limited to slow internet, or internet blackouts? If yes, what was the reason for this? Did it impact the Minister's office?	Written		

26	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Staff Amenities	<p>What amenities are provided to staff? Provide a list, including any costs and the reason for providing the amenity.</p>	Written		
27	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Coffee Machines	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased. 2. Why were coffee machines purchased? 3. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? 4. Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from? 5. Who has access? 6. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? 7. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee? 8. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff usage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased. 9. Why are coffee machines rented? 10. Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? 11. Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from? 12. Who has access? 13. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? 14. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee? 	Written		

28	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Contractors FYTD	<p>For this financial year to date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 2. Has the department/agency ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 3. Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 4. Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 5. Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 6. Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 7. Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 8. Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 9. Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details. 10. What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). 	Written		
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29	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Grants FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Could the department/agency provide an update list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for this financial year to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants. 2. Have all grant agreement details been published on its website within the required timeframe? If not, provide details. 	Written		
30	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Commissioned Reports FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency this financial year to date? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members. 2. How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level? 3. What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports? 	Written		
31	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Government Payments of Accounts FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For this financial year to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)? 2. If not, why not? Provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached) 3. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year? 4. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined? 	Written		
32	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Stationery requirements FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio (i.e. paper, envelopes, with compliments slips) this financial year to date? 2. What are the department/agency's stationery costs for the financial year to date? 	Written		

33	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Media Subscriptions FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel. b. What is the cost for this financial year to date? 2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each. b. What is the cost for this financial year to date? 3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each. b. What is the cost for this financial year to date? 	Written		
34	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Travel Costs FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). 2. For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. 3. What travel is planned for the rest of this financial year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. 4. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. 5. What is the policy for business class airfare tickets? Is there still a reduction in business flights as per the media release by the Minister for Finance and Deregulation and the Special Minister of State dated 25 September 2012? 6. Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the total costs of the lounge memberships. 7. When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as an Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support staff travel. 	Written		

				8. Does the department/agency elect to offset emissions for employees work related travel? If yes, what is the cost?			
35	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Legal costs FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs. 2. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs. 3. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs. 4. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs. 	Written		
36	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Education Expenses FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the department/agency's guidelines on study? 2. For this financial year to date, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the department/agency. 	Written		
37	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Total spending on these services b. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification c. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d. The names of all service providers engaged 	Written		

				<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The name and nature of the service purchased b. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification d. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e. The total amount spent on the service f. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package) 3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The location used b. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) c. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location 			
38	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Media Training FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Total spending on these services b. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification c. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d. The names of all service providers engaged 2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The name and nature of the service purchased b. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) 	Written		

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39	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Paid Parental Leave FYTD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please list how many staff in each department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? 2. For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments. 3. What is the paid parental scheme offered by each department and agency? How many staff have used the scheme this financial year to date. 	Written		
40	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Training for Portfolio Minister and Parliamentary Secretaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for. 2. For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for staff of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for. 3. For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for designed to better suit the needs of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for, and how many employees attended and their classification. 	Written		

41	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Corporate Cars	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How cars are owned by each department/agency? 2. Where is the car/s located? 3. What is the car/s used for? 4. What is the cost of each car for this financial year to date? 5. How far did each car travel this financial year to date? 	Written		
42	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Taxi Costs FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency. 2. What are the reasons for taxi costs? 	Written		
43	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Hire Cars FYTD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. 2. What are the reasons for hire car costs? 	Written		
44	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Credit Cards	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. 2. Please update details of the following <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? b. How is corporate credit card use monitored? c. What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? d. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. e. What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse? 	Written		
45	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Provision of Equipment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs? 2. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date? 3. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it. 	Written		

				4. Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.			
46	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Electricity Purchasing	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement? 2. What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date? 	Written		
47	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Briefings for the Australian Greens and Independents	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information s been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. How are briefings requests commissioned? b. What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c. Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d. Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e. How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. 2. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. How are briefings requests commissioned? b. What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c. Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d. Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e. How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. f. Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information? 	Written		

48	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Shredders	Has the department/agencies purchased any shredders this financial year? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.	Written		
49	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Protective Security Policy Framework	Provide an update for your department/agency, including what is your current compliance level, what are you doing to manage risk, what is being done to comply with the mandatory requirements and details of any department/agency specific policies and procedures.	Written		
50	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Office Locations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please provide a list of all office locations for all departments and agencies within the portfolio by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Department/Agency; b. Location; c. Leased or Owned; d. Size; e. Number of Staff at each location and classification; f. If rented, the amount and breakdown of rent per square metre; g. If owned, the value of the building; h. Depreciation of buildings that are owned; i. Type of functions and work undertaken. 	Written		
51	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Communications Staff	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. By Department or agency: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location. ii. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location iii. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location iv. How many are graphic designers? v. How many are media managers? vi. How many organise events? 2. Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications? 	Written		

52	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Alternative Policy Costings	Has the Department undertaken any alternative policy costings or advice? If yes, provide details of what these costings or advice were, including provision of costings or advice documents and assumptions used, and who made the request and when.	Written		
53	Corporate and Portfolio Agencies	HEFFERNAN	Pre-election appointments	Provide a list of any appointments made in your portfolio that will commence after the announced election date of 14 September 2013. Provide details of the appointment including position and length.	Written		
54	1.1	JOYCE	Government Contribution to the Creation of the Regional Australia Institute	<p>Senator JOYCE: Who else was involved with that decision of the minister to set it up as a separate company? Were there any other members of parliament involved in that process?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: As we have mentioned previously, and I do not have the officers here to answer in detail, we did consult with other members of parliament and had a range of meetings and roundtables—</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: Who were they that you are consulted?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I would have to take that on notice.....But I can recall that at one of the roundtables that I was at personally Mr Windsor was there.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: Mr Windsor was also part of it. With the effect of this being a separate company, can I therefore ask questions of this organisation through Senate estimates and get delivery of the facts and details of what is happening inside that separate company?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I would have to take that on notice....The government provided I think in the 2011-12 budget—I would have to take that on notice—a contribution to its set-up.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: How much—\$8½ half million dollars?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: It may have been in the order of that. I do not have those details in front of me. But we have provided this information on notice.</p>	RRA&T 11		

55	1.1	JOYCE	Regional Australia Institute Advisory Committee Members	<p>Ms Beauchamp: As we have identified in the past, and it is on the public record, Minister Crean asked his Ministerial Advisory Council on Regional Australia to look at the options for setting up what would be the best governance arrangement to set up the Regional Australia Institute.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: Who was selecting the people who were going to be on the board of this Regional Australia Institute? What was the testing group or the selecting group? Who were they?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I would have to take that on notice....I think, as I mentioned, there was a role for the advisory committee—</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: And who was on that advisory committee?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: The role of the advisory committee was to select a number of foundation members—</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: Who was on that advisory committee?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: Again, I do not have that information in front of me. There were people like Mr Ian Sinclair, Mr Bill Kelty, Mr Lindsay Fox, Ms Collene Longmore—I would have to—</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: This is the advisory committee to select the board?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: It was the Ministerial Advisory Council on Regional Australia.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: Was Mr Peters on that advisory committee to select the board?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I would have to take that on notice but I think he was, yes....Can I just say that the process for selecting the board members of the Regional Australia Institute is well documented in our questions on notice. I will ask officers to get those questions on notice and retable them. There is a lot of information there. I think you had raised at quite some length this whole issue at the last estimates committee meeting in February and I am happy to retable all of the information we have provided.</p>	RRA&T 11-12		
56	1.1	MACDONALD	Gulf Water Resource Plan	<p>Mr Dickson: This project is absolutely looking at all the options to develop water resources in these two catchments. CSIRO is using new state-of-the art science to identify all opportunities for surface water capture and storage in these catchments as part of the option. They have identified 24 locations in these rivers, four of which have been identified previously but a lot of which have not been identified previously and are evaluating their feasibility.</p> <p>Senator IAN MACDONALD: Are you aware of those, Mr Dickson?</p> <p>Mr Dickson: Am I aware of all of them?</p> <p>Senator IAN MACDONALD: The 24.</p>	RRA&T 54		

				<p>Mr Dickson: I am not aware of all of them. I am aware of some of them.</p> <p>Senator IAN MACDONALD: Can you make us aware of those?</p> <p>Mr Dickson: We will certainly take that on notice.</p>			
57	1.1	MACDONALD	Gulf Water Resource Plan – Number of Employees	<p>Senator IAN MACDONALD: Can you tell me, perhaps on notice if you do not have it, how many people that are full time equivalents from CSIRO have been working on this strategy?</p> <p>Mr Dickson: I am happy to do that. I can tell you the number will be far in excess of 70.</p>	RRA&T 55		
58	1.1	HEFFERNAN	Northern Australia Expert Advisory Panel Members	<p>Senator HEFFERNAN: Could we have the names of the people on the panel?</p> <p>Mr Dickson: Absolutely.</p>	RRA&T 56		
59	1.1	HEFFERNAN	Gulf Water Resource Plan – Soil Types	<p>Senator HEFFERNAN: I have a few questions, as you would expect I could have. Will the soil typing include things like the permeability and rehabilitative capacity of the soil? That soil is depleted but it can easily be rehabilitated. Is it including that sort of stuff, Mr Dickson, or is it just saying, 'That is clay. That is loam. That is shale, sand, and whatever'?</p> <p>Mr Dickson: Honestly you are stretching my technical expertise here.</p> <p>Senator HEFFERNAN: Could you take that on notice?</p> <p>Mr Dickson: I am happy to take it on notice.</p>	RRA&T 56–57		
60	1.1	WILLIAMS	RDA Board Member Travel Claims	<p>Senator WILLIAMS: Mr Atkinson, I want to ask a procedure matter here. When a board member lodges a travel claim, such as for motor vehicle travel, must that claim include the registration number of the vehicle being claimed for?</p> <p>Mr Atkinson: I would have to take that on notice, because that is an internal claim against RDA funds and RDAs are actually—</p>	RRA&T 57		
61	1.1	WILLIAMS	Freeman House Rebuild Project	<p>Mr McCormick: With the project, Freeman House rebuild for the Regional Health, Education and Communities Project—my understanding is that it is currently in progress.... The funding agreement is with the proponent, Saint Vincent de Paul...</p> <p>Senator WILLIAMS: That might be the first good news that we might hear for a while, but we still need to have it checked out that all the insurance is in order and the insurance company comes good.</p> <p>Mr McCormick: We will follow that up with Saint Vincent de Paul.</p>	RRA&T 59		

62	1.1	JOYCE	Round 3 of RDAF	<p>Senator JOYCE: So, every time he made a decision it was a decision that was following the process of recommendation from the advisory panel? It might be his right, but did he ever go and say, 'Regardless of the advisory panel I'm actually picking this project over here today'?</p> <p>Mr Eccles: We would have to take that on notice and do a reconciliation...</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: So would I. This is not about catching you. I would expect that would definitely be the case. I am naturally enough curious about the ones where it was the minister's discretion where they were and for what purpose. I am just being an open book.</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: We will take that on notice.</p>	RRA&T 61		
63	1.1	JOYCE	RDA Western Sydney	<p>Senator JOYCE: You talked about agitation. Do you have correspondence from the Auburn City Council and the Bankstown City Council saying that they wanted an RDA?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I would have to take that on notice in terms of the actual documentation but it was certainly the Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils that was calling for a separate regional authority.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: When did they call for that? Do you have any correspondence?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I do not know the exact dates. I will have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: In what form did they call for it, in a letter or a phone call?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I am not sure. I cannot confirm with you exactly, but I will take it on notice, unless any of the other officers have that information.</p>	RRA&T 65		
64	1.1	ABETZ	Grant for Dunalley Community Hall	<p>Senator ABETZ: Can the department confirm that they have taken on notice to tell me the date on the design plan for the new enhanced hall? Thank you.</p>	RRA&T 68		
65	1.1	JOYCE	RDA Committee Board Positions	<p>Senator JOYCE: How many RDA board positions does the government anticipate filling before the election?</p> <p>Mr Atkinson: I will just get that information, sorry.</p>	RRA&T 72		

66	1.1	JOYCE	Community Infrastructure Grants Projects in New England	<p>Senator JOYCE: How many of these Community Infrastructure Grants programs, such as the Werris Creek hall, are in the seat of New England?</p> <p>Mr Eccles: Can you repeat that?</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: How many of these budget line approvals such as the Werris Creek men's shed are in the seat of New England?</p> <p>Mr Eccles: We would need to take that on notice and check that out. We do not look at those things.</p>	RRA&T 73		
67	1.1	EDWARDS	Unity Housing Affordable Housing Project	<p>Senator EDWARDS: I am referring to the written question on notice 74 from the additional February estimates regarding the Unity Housing Affordable Housing Project. Have the negotiations with the supplier involved in the project been completed?</p> <p>Ms Fleming: I will just check that material for you.</p>	RRA&T 76		
68	1.1	EDWARDS	Unity Housing Affordable Housing Project – funding agreements	<p>Senator EDWARDS: Subsequent to that, can the funding agreement between yourselves, the state government and the stakeholders be made publicly available, because it could not at the time?</p>	RRA&T 77		
69	1.1	EDWARDS	Unity Housing Affordable Housing Project – Catering for People with a Disability	<p>Senator EDWARDS:Lastly on this topic, will any of the houses cater for people living with disabilities and, if not, what was the rationale for doing so?</p>	RRA&T 77		
70	1.1	JOYCE	Murray-Darling Basin Plan	<p>Senator JOYCE: How did RMCG report back? Do you know of any towns that they actually went to or where they could say, 'I was in Saint George and I did this work' or 'I was in Dirranbandi' or 'I was in Surat' or 'I was in Mildura' or 'I was in Shepparton'?</p> <p>Ms Foster: We could provide you with where they went and, yes, they did go to those places and talk to people.</p>	RRA&T 80		

71	1.1	JOYCE	Murray-Darling Basin Projects in the St George area	<p>Senator JOYCE: So, they did not get other industries that are still in irrigation but less intensive in irrigation; there was no discussion there or about getting the feedlotting industry going or getting the seed investment to a feedlot or seed investment into a new kangaroo works? These are all big employers and their industries are on the ground already.</p> <p>Ms Foster: I am afraid it is just a bit too long since I have looked at these things. We would have to take on notice the detail.</p>	RRA&T 81		
72	1.1	MACDONALD	ONA Office Budget	<p>In answer to questions asked at previous estimates (<i>Additional Estimates February 2013 Answers to Questions on Notice 71</i> (written question) and <i>Additional Estimates February 2013 Answers to Questions on Notice 72</i> (written question)) the department indicated that while it works co-operatively with other departments, it did not administer these inter-departmental projects.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many person hours were devoted to these inter-departmental projects in 2012/13? 2. What was the cost to the department of providing this co-operation and assistance? 3. Is ONA's role in these co-operative arrangements a deployment role or an administrative role? 	Written		
73	1.1	MACDONALD	Location of ONA Offices	<p>In answer to previous estimates questions (<i>Additional Estimates February 2013 Answers to Questions on Notice 71</i> (written question), <i>Supplementary Estimates October 2012 Answers to Questions on Notice 15</i> (written question), <i>Additional Estimates February 2013 Answers to Questions on Notice 7</i>(written question)) the department has indicated that ONA offices are currently located in Canberra, Townsville, Darwin, Kununurra and Perth.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The staffing levels in these offices are low (7, 5, 1, 1, and 3 persons respectively). Do these offices lease their own premises or are they located within the premises of other departments? 2. Which departments? 3. How is the division of rent calculated? 4. How is the division of outgoings calculated? 5. The Department quoted the cost of maintaining the Townsville office (excluding employee costs) at \$194,107.00, and the Darwin Office at \$24,612.00. What is the cost of running all the offices? 	Written		

				<p>6. In <i>Additional Estimates February 2013 Answers to Questions on Notice 71</i>, you state there is only one (1) departmental employee in Darwin.</p> <p>In <i>Supplementary Estimates October 2012 Answers to Questions on Notice 15</i>, you state that the operation cost of this office (excluding employee expenses) was \$24,612.00 in 2011-12.</p> <p>In <i>Additional Estimates February 2013 Answers to Questions on Notice 7</i>, you state that this Darwin-based employee was re-located from a DoIT location that cost \$11663.00 per annum to a FaHCSIA location that cost \$20,247.00 per annum.</p> <p>If, as was stated in <i>Additional Estimates February 2013 Answers to Questions on Notice 7</i>, a relocation is taking place FROM the \$11663.00 per annum DoIT location, then how can the cost in 2011-12 have been \$24,612.00?</p> <p>Please clarify these figures.</p>			
74	1.1	MACDONALD	Overheads for Office of Northern Australia Branch	<p>In answer to previous estimates questions (<i>Additional Estimates February 2013 Answers to Questions on Notice 71</i> (written question)) the department has indicated that the combined budget of the Northwest Australia and Office of Northern Australia (NW&ONA) branch of the Department was \$2,366,114 “excluding overheads”.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What were the total overheads for 2011/12? 2. What are the total overheads for 2012/13? 3. What percentage of the overhead is related to human resources? 4. What percentage of the overhead is related to the lease, maintenance and operation of NW&ONA offices? 5. Is \$2,366,114.00 the total amount available to the department to deploy its programming for a financial year? 	Written		
75	1.1	MACDONALD	Etheridge Shire RDAF Application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can the department provide any information on the progress of the Etheridge Shire RDAF application for assistance with works on the Hann Highway? 2. Has Etheridge Shire Council’s full application been received and processed? 	Written		

76	1.1	MACDONALD	Revised Evidentiary Standards - NDRRA	<p>The National Disaster Recovery Taskforce was created under the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport portfolio in response to damage caused by extreme weather events in 2010-11.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What role has The National Disaster Recovery Taskforce played in the development of the revised evidentiary standards for establishing eligibility criteria? 2. Has The National Disaster Recovery Taskforce received submissions from Local Government Authorities regarding compliance standards? 3. Have the revised evidentiary standards for National Disaster Reconstruction and Recovery Grants been backdated? 4. Can the Department advise why the Commonwealth has not acquitted in excess of \$700 million in relief and recovery funding that has already been provided out of the Queensland Government treasury? 	Written		
77	1.1	MACDONALD	Rural/Regional and Farming Grants - NDRRA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is Rockhampton Regional Council's current Category declaration under the NDRRA? Please clarify the details of all categories. 2. Does this apply to the whole council area, or only part of it? 3. Are there any plans to extend this zone? 4. Are primary producers in the Rockhampton area eligible for the category C \$25,000 recovery grants for repairs and clean-up costs? If not, why? 5. Are small-to-medium enterprises in the Rockhampton area eligible for the category C \$25,000 recovery grants for repairs and clean-up costs? If not, why? 6. What is the evidentiary standard with which these entities must comply to be deemed eligible for finding/grants? 7. What NDRRA grants have been made available to the Banana Shire and residents of that Shire? What applications have been made by the council or individuals in that Shire? If no grants have been made, what is the reason? 	Written		

78	1.1	MACDONALD	Cardwell Recovery Funding - NDRRA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How much funding has been committed to infrastructure remediation in the Cardwell region of Queensland following Cyclone Yasi – and in 2013 Cyclone Oswald? 2. How much funding has been committed to local industry support and recovery initiatives in the Cardwell region of Queensland following Cyclone Yasi – and in 2013 Cyclone Oswald? 3. How much funding has been committed to employment support, retention and recovery initiatives in the Cardwell region of Queensland following Cyclone Yasi – and in 2013 Cyclone Oswald? 4. How much funding has been committed across these three areas: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. infrastructure remediation; b. local industry support and recovery; and, c. employment support, retention and recovery, under the National Regional Disaster Recovery programs? 	Written		
79	1.1	JOYCE	Regional and Rural Research and Development Grants	<p>Will there be a round of regional and rural research and Development Grants during 2012-13?</p> <p>If yes, when will the Guidelines be made available?</p> <p>If not, why not?</p>	Written		
80	1.1	NASH	RDAF Round Four – Expression of Interest	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In regards to Dunn Lewis Expression of Interest for the Regional Development Fund Round Four, why was their Expression of Interest not selected to proceed to submit a full application? 2. Which part of the guidelines did the Dunn Lewis Foundation not meet? 3. Has the Dunn Lewis Foundation applied for funding through the Regional Development Australia Fund before through rounds 1, 2 and 3? 4. Was the Dunn Lewis Foundation Expression of Interest or application denied on that occasion as well? 	Written		
81	1.2	JOYCE	Tenders for Civics Campaigns	<p>Ms Beauchamp: We are just about to go to tender for that piece of work. So we have actually started work to get that civics campaign out there.</p> <p>Senator JOYCE: How long before those tenders have to come back?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: I would have to take that on notice or wait we get to the local government area, where my officers have the details of that.</p>	RRA&T 8		

82	1.2	JOYCE	Dates and Timelines for Referendum Process	Ms Beauchamp: As I said earlier, I am confident that we can deliver all of the requirements to undertake the referendum on 14 September, including effectively managing the civics campaign. I would have to take on notice the exact dates and timeline for the process.	RRA&T 8		
83	1.2	RYAN	Grants to ALGA	Senator RYAN: Has the department given the Australian Local Government Association any grants in the last 12 months or in this current financial year? I do not think I have seen in the budget that there is any for the coming financial year. Ms Foster: Not to my knowledge. Senator RYAN: If that is different, could you take it on notice and correct it? Ms Foster: Absolutely.	RRA&T 90		
84	1.2	SMITH	Specific Roles and Functions of the Referendum Unit	Senator SMITH: Can you make available to the committee on notice the details of the specific roles and functions of the referendum unit. Also, what are the roles and functions of those 17 people?	RRA&T 92		
85	1.2	SMITH	Changes to the Roles of Referendum Taskforce Members	Senator SMITH: Excellent, then I would like to see the expression of interest that was circulated. I accept that people's roles might change, but I would like to know what those roles might look like at the beginning and what they might look like where you expect those roles to change at the middle and at the end. Ms Foster: Certainly.	RRA&T 93		
86	1.2	SMITH	Fairness in Conduct of the Referendum	Senator SMITH: Minister, would you be prepared to take on notice a response to my question about how the government will guarantee fairness in the conduct of this particular referendum? Senator Lundy: I am happy to take that on notice.	RRA&T 94		
87	1.2	SMITH	Merits of the Referendum	Senator SMITH: In the <i>West Australian</i> on 8 May, Mr Albanese talked about the merits of the referendum. You can take this on notice. Was that opinion piece prepared in his office or in the department?	RRA&T 95		
88	1.2	SMITH	New projects occurring as a result of constitutional recognition of local government	Senator SMITH: Can the department advise me which new projects will occur as a result of recognising local government in the Constitution? Can the department provide me with any advice about any concrete examples of projects across Australia that will occur as a result of recognising local government in the Constitution? Ms Foster: I will have to take that on notice.	RRA&T 95		

89	1.2	SMITH	Projects not proceeding due to no recognition of local government	Senator SMITH: Can you provide details of three projects that are currently unable to proceed because local government is not recognised in the Constitution?	RRA&T 95		
90	1.2	JOYCE	Meeting of Local Government and Regional Development Ministers	Ms Foster: Yes, there was a meeting of regional development and local government ministers with Minister Albanese in Hobart about a month ago. Senator JOYCE: That was with all local government ministers? Ms Foster: It was with those who were able to attend, not all were there. Senator JOYCE: Who was able to attend? More to the point, who was not able to attend? Whichever one is quicker, can you tell me that? Ms Foster: I do not have that detail to hand, I am sorry. I will have to get that for you on notice.	RRA&T 99		
91	1.2	JOYCE	Minister campaigning for Referendum proposal	Senator JOYCE: Well, that is even better. So what is he doing—is he out campaigning for it? Where was the last place he went campaigning for it? Ms Foster: I will have to take that on notice. I do not have that detail.	RRA&T 101		
92	1.2	EGGLESTON	Status of an entity opposed to Referendum proposal	Senator EGGLESTON: You might like to take on notice: what kind of status would an entity, which was opposed to the referendum proposal, have to have? What kind of legal status? Ms Foster: I will take that on notice	RRA&T 106		
93	1.2	JOYCE	Local Government and Planning Minister's Council	1. Given that the Local Government and Planning Ministers' Council was wound up in 2010, what other regular meetings occur between Local Government Federal and State Ministers? 2. When was the last time that Minister Crean or Albanese had meetings with his respective State government Ministers at a State level?	Written		
94	1.2	JOYCE	ACLG Website	I note that the Australian Council of Local Government website just says it is being updated at the moment. 1. How long as the website been out of action? 2. When it is likely to be restored? 3. What are the updates for and how much are they costing?	Written		

95	1.2	JOYCE	Financial Assistance Grants Review	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How is the FAGS review progressing and where is the process up to? 2. Is it still on schedule to be completed by December 2013? 	Written		
96	1.2	SMITH	Breakdown of funding for Referendum Taskforce	Please provide a breakdown of the \$1.6 million to be used to fund the Referendum Taskforce Unit. Please provide details of funds allocated or expected to be allocated for campaign advertising expenses, travel and accommodation expenses, salaries and research.	Written		
97	1.2.	SMITH	Expression of interest for Referendum Taskforce	Please provide a copy of the Expression of Interest advertisement and other supporting documents used to recruit for staffing positions in the Referendum Taskforce Unit.	Written		
98	1.2	SMITH	Staffing positions available on the Referendum Taskforce	Please provide the details of the staffing position/roles that are available to be applied for within the Referendum Taskforce Unit.	Written		
99	1.2	SMITH	Senior official of Referendum Taskforce	Who will be the most senior departmental official in the Referendum Taskforce Unit?	Written		
100	1.2	SMITH	Staffing details of Referendum Taskforce	<p>During Estimates hearings of 30 May 2013, officials said “about 17” staff roles would comprise the Referendum Taskforce Unit. Please advise:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. How many have been filled as at 7 June; b. Which departments these roles have been taken from; and c. The numbers taken from each department and the positions occupied by these individuals prior to moving to the Referendum Taskforce Unit 	Written		
101	1.2	SMITH	Individuals employed in Referendum Taskforce from outside of Government	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have any individuals been recruited or engaged to work in the Referendum Taskforce Unit from outside of Government? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. If so, what roles are they performing? b. If not, do you expect any to be recruited or engaged during the period up to 14 September 2013? 	Written		

102	1.2	SMITH	Activities to be undertaken by Referendum Taskforce	In the Estimates hearings of 30 May 2013, officials described various streams of activities to be undertaken by the Referendum Taskforce Unit. The evidence identified (1) the civic education campaign, (2) engagement with stakeholders, and (3) project management and planning. Please provide details of the activities to be undertaken by each of these streams.	Written		
103	1.2	SMITH	Use of Referendum Taskforce for media and marketing purposes	Will the Referendum Taskforce Unit be used to: 1. provide media monitoring; 2. prepare speeches; 3. prepare opinion pieces; 4. provide media statements; 5. undertake market research; 6. prepare advertising collateral; and 7. identify speakers for public meetings, media appearances and community events?	Written		
104	1.2	SMITH	Case against Referendum proposal	Will the activities detailed in Question 103 be made available to persons presenting the case against the referendum proposal?	Written		
105	1.2	SMITH	Media monitoring for Referendum Taskforce	Will media monitoring undertaken by the Referendum Taskforce Unit be made available to: a. all Parliamentarians who voted for the Constitution Alteration (Local Government) Bill 2013; and b. all Parliamentarians who voted against the Constitution Alteration (Local Government) Bill 2013?	Written		
106	1.2	SMITH	Meetings of Deputy Secretary's group	Please provide the dates, copies of the agenda and minutes of the meeting of the "deputy secretaries group" or other similar group identified in the Estimates hearings of 30 May 2013.	Written		
107	1.2	SMITH	Independent oversight of Referendum Taskforce	Will there be any independent oversight of the Referendum Taskforce Unit to ensure its activities are used to promote fairness in the execution of the arguments for and against the referendum proposal? If not, why not?	Written		
108	1.2	SMITH	Even distribution of funding for the Referendum	What mechanisms are in place to ensure the funding of the referendum is distributed evenly between the cases for and against the referendum proposal?	Written		

109	1.2	SMITH	Criteria for Referendum	What criteria will the Government use to determine whether the referendum was conducted fairly and in an open and transparent manner?	Written		
110	1.2	SMITH	National civics campaign for Referendum	Please provide a list of the names or the individuals and organisations that have met with: a. the Minister for Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport; and/or b. officials of the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport to discuss utilising some or all of the \$10 million allocated to the proposed national civics education campaign in connection with the referendum.	Written		
111	2.1	HUMPHRIES	Allegation made in Norfolk Island Legislative Assembly	Senator HUMPHRIES: It is a bit of a vicious circle, but okay. There was an allegation made in the legislative assembly for Norfolk Island in March last year by the then minister for health, Mr Sheridan, that this department—that is, your department—earlier that year had refused to allow the Norfolk Island government to enter into a memorandum of understanding with New South Wales for the provision of health services on Norfolk Island. Is that allegation true? Ms Fleming: Senator, I would have to take that on notice.	RRA&T 108		
112	2.1	HUMPHRIES	MoU between NSW and Norfolk Island	Senator HUMPHRIES: I will read you what Mr Sheridan said in <i>Hansard</i> . This is 7 March, and he was the health minister at the time. He said: <i>The Department would need to receive this information within a reasonable timeframe to consider the proposal and provide approval before any arrangements are entered into.” Also the Department stated that—</i> he is quoting here apparently from a communication from the department— <i>“Until such a time as these matters are rectified—</i> I will come back to what those matters are— <i>the Commonwealth cannot consider approving the proposal to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.” It was frustrating when this advice was received, as the whole intent of the MOU was to facilitate access to improved medical services of which were not available on [Norfolk Island].</i>	RRA&T 108-109		

				<p>Ms Fleming: It is certainly true that expenditure above \$50,000 has to be approved by me, and that goes to the heart of the issue of the solvency of the Norfolk Island government. I would have to take that on notice and come back to you. I am not specifically familiar with that particular incident, but I will—</p> <p>Mr Eccles: It could well have been a point in time. We will look into it, but at the moment the contract with New South Wales health is running well and services are being purchased through New South Wales. As Ms Fleming said, it is working fine. We will take that on notice and come back to you.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Good. If there was a decision by the department to refuse to approve a MoU with New South Wales for the provision of health services, as the Norfolk minister suggested, why did the department not refer to this decision in its response to question on notice No. 95 from the February 2013 additional estimates? Obviously if there was such a decision, it would be nice to know why that was not referred to in the answer to question No. 95.</p> <p>Ms Fleming: I am happy to take that on notice. I just do not recall the incident.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Did the Commonwealth to make that decision in 2012 because it did not consider that improving access to medical treatment off island represented value for money? Take that on notice as well please, if the answer is that there was such a decision by the Commonwealth.</p>			
113	2.1	HUMPHRIES	Withdrawal of Norfolk Island Cabinet submission	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: It was widely reported that there was a cabinet submission prepared in relation to Commonwealth support for Norfolk Island. It was also widely reported that, following Minister King's visit to the island, or at least contemporaneous with that visit, that submission was withdrawn. I am not asking what was in the submission, but I understand it related to Norfolk Island. Is it true that a submission at that time was withdrawn from processing towards the cabinet?</p>	RRA&T 109		

114	2.1	HUMPHRIES	Norfolk Island Cabinet submissions	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: I am not asking you what was in a cabinet submission. I am asking: did the administrator say those things and did they have a bearing on the process of dealing with the cabinet submission, not what the cabinet submission said.</p> <p>Senator Lundy: That is not an appropriate question either, because you are asking the officer to reflect on conversations in relation to cabinet considerations.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: It was not a conversation—it was a broadcast. The administrator said these things in a broadcast to the population of the island.</p> <p>Mr Eccles: I am not aware of the broadcast, but we will certainly have a look into it. On this general line of questioning, if you are comfortable, my preference would be to take on notice and provide you with the information to the full extent we are able around the government's consideration of these issues and their intentions when it comes to continuing the discussions we are having with the Norfolk Island people and the leadership team.</p>	RRA&T 111		
115	2.1	BACK	Resident population of Norfolk Island	<p>Senator BACK: I do not if you can answer these questions now. If you cannot, please be kind enough to take them on notice. The information that I would like to know is, for the five calendar years—and five years would appear to be a reasonable length of time—from 2008 to 2012: the resident population divided into those under 18 years of age and those equal to and above 18 years of age for each of those five years; the number of visitors to Norfolk Island in each of those five years; and what the revenue of the Norfolk Island government has been in each of those five years, with you including and highlighting one figure, the Australian government support that makes up part of that revenue, and the expenditure.</p>	RRA&T 114		
116	2.1	BACK	Economic wellbeing of Norfolk Island	<p>Senator BACK: I am just anxious to get a snapshot to inform myself as to what lies ahead. I would be very interested to have a look at: that 15-year window, particularly the last five years; the communications I have had with people on Norfolk Island; the advice they are giving; the questions that we have discussed in the last two or three estimates when Senator Humphries has been unable to be here; and, obviously—with a very keen interest—the economic well-being of islands. If you are able to give me that information, and any other information that you can give me that would help me to inform my understanding, I would be appreciative.</p>	RRA&T 114		

117	2.1	HUMPHRIES	Funding of reseal of Norfolk Island runway	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: I understand that the next reseal of the island's airport runways is due. Will the Commonwealth fund this reseal as it has in the past?</p> <p>Ms Fleming: We would have to consider that in our process.</p> <p>Senator Lundy: We will take that one on notice.</p>	RRA&T 115		
118	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Mobile devices to staff	When did the NCA start providing mobile devices to staff?	Written		
119	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Reasons for mobile devices	What was the reason to provide mobile devices to staff?	Written		
120	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Trial period for mobile devices	Was any trial period undertaken? Yes/no	Written		
121	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Mobile devices – costs and amounts	Can you please tell us what mobile devices you have, how many of each and the costs (just try and get this on the record).	Written		
122	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Employees and mobile devices	Do all employees have a mobile device? If not, how many do?	Written		
123	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Mobile device costs	How much has been spent in total (including internet access, handset purchase or hire etc) since mobile device issue began?	Written		
124	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Replacement of mobile devices	Have these devices (in particular the ipads) replaced normal desktop computers for these employees? If no, does that mean employees have both a desktop computer and an ipad or other device?	Written		
125	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Mobile device repairs and updates	Who pays for the upkeep, and any potential repairs of the devices?	Written		

126	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Mobile device internet costs	Who pays for internet access?	Written		
127	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Mobile devices and field work	How do these devices, like an ipad, assist with field work? Could an employee undertake field work without an ipad?	Written		
128	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Mobile devices and business	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How do these devices, like an ipad, assist with general day to day NCA business? 2. Could an employee undertake general day to day NCA business without an ipad? 	Written		
129	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Reasons for using mobile devices	Why does each employee need their own device?	Written		
130	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	Mobile devices and productivity	Have the ipads increased productivity?	Written		
131	National Capital Authority	HUMPHRIES	NCA Staffing	How many staff are employed at the NCA?	Written		
132	3	MCKENZIE	Creative Young Stars program	<p>I understand that the Creative Young Stars program was developed in response to feedback received from local members of parliament.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Who was surveyed? b. How many were surveyed? c. How was this information collected? d. How was the information about available funding, and setting up of local committees, communicated to local members of parliament? e. How many electorates have set up their local advisory committee? 	Written		

133	Australia Council	ABETZ	Funding applications from magazines and journals	<p>Senator ABETZ: No, it is the question. It is not the page but the question. I had question 126 and the answer and then Senator Brandis had a question 128 which you also kindly answered. I am trying to put the two together.</p> <p>Mr Grybowski: Do they not correlate?</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Let us go through it. In 2012-13 were there 14 applications from magazines and journals?....</p> <p>Mr Grybowski: Those applications were made to the program and publishing grant categories. We have a number of different categories within the Literature Board.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Is that the same as is referred to in answer to question 128? If I might say, if we had some more time to go through these carefully and the <i>Hansard</i> we might have been able to work some of these things out for ourselves, but I only got the answers yesterday.</p> <p>Mr Grybowski: I cannot definitely answer that.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Can you please have a look at it?</p> <p>Mr Grybowski: Yes, certainly. I can take that on notice.</p>	RRA&T 44		
134	Australia Council	ABETZ	Grants to literature organisations	<p>Senator ABETZ: Are the 14 applications separate from the key organisations that are funded? There are four of those; is that correct?</p> <p>Mr Grybowski: I believe that is correct.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Do I add 14 plus four to make 18 grants?</p> <p>Mr Grybowski: The key organisations area is a different category. I do not have the information as to how many literature key organisations apply, so I will have to take that question on notice.</p>	RRA&T 44		
135	Australia Council	ABETZ	Number of grants to literature organisations	<p>Senator ABETZ: From this list it looks as though there were only 17 grants. If there is a bit of money missing somewhere I am sure Quadrant would not mind that.</p> <p>Mr Grybowski: I will clarify that on notice.</p>	RRA&T 44		
136	Australia Council	ABETZ	Feedback from the Literature Board	<p>Senator ABETZ: Question 123, the topic: number of copies of <i>Meanjin</i> sold. We had a number of issues and then we were told, 'The following key organisation criteria were used by the Literature Board which is made up of industry peers to assess all applications.' We were told the quality of the proposed three-years program, effective management of resources, evidence of high level of achievement and leadership and the calibre of the personnel involved. Would you like to take on notice where <i>Quadrant</i> failed on these criteria, given that it is the standout of all the journals?</p>	RRA&T 45		

				Mr Grybowski: Certainly. We can take that on notice and get the feedback from the Literature Board.			
137	Australia Council	ABETZ	Number of organisations for grants	Mr Grybowski: The process of application for our key organisations is that anybody can apply. People are invited to put in a submission and then they are assessed by the— Senator ABETZ: <i>Meanjin</i> was invited. How many other organisations were specifically invited to apply? Mr Grybowski: I will take that on notice.	RRA&T 45		
138	Australia Council	ABETZ	Key Organisation status - <i>Quadrant</i>	Senator ABETZ: You can take on notice as well whether <i>Quadrant</i> was asked to apply for key organisation status? Mr Grybowski: Sure.	RRA&T 45		
139	Australia Council	RYAN	ACCA funding	Mr Grybowski: Correct. Each art form board assesses every application. The art form boards comprise leading artists and leading practicing artists from around the country and they assess the applications made to us which is called our peer assessment process. Senator RYAN: How much money did ACCA get? Mr Grybowski: I do not have that specific figure in front of me. I can take that on notice.	RRA&T 46		
140	Australia Council	RYAN	Length of ACCA funding	Senator RYAN: Can I suggest, respectfully, that the department might want to furnish you with those. That is only about four pages of figures that could come in in a briefing folder for estimates quite easily. Other people come here with folders much larger than that. Do you know for how long it has been funded? Mr Grybowski: I would have to take that on notice as well.	RRA&T 46		
141	Australia Council	MILNE	New Australia Council Board members	What is the anticipated turnaround time between the Royal Assent of the <i>Australia Council Bill 2013</i> and the appointment of the new board members?			
142	Australia Council	MILNE	New Australia Council structure	How many committees are expected to be set up under the new Australia Council structure and what will they be tasked with?			

143	National Film and Sound Archive	HUMPHRIES	Decrease in consultancy expenditure	<p>Mr Florian: We have had a significant decrease in our consultancy expenditure from the last financial year to this financial year. We have tried to reduce the amount of non-ongoing and also actual staff that we use for contractors and specific projects we look at on a project-by-project basis.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Could you take on notice giving us information about what exactly you have done to accommodate that, that would be helpful please and what areas, for example, those consultancies were met. That would be useful, thank you.</p>	RRA&T 49		
144	National Gallery of Australia	HUMPHRIES	Article in <i>The Australian</i> relating to Mr Kapoor	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: There is a report in the <i>Australian</i> on 23 March that there were 21 other items from Mr Kapoor that were purchased that are now with the National Gallery at the moment, is that correct?</p> <p>Dr Radford: I am not sure that is correct. I might have to take that on notice because that particular article had many incorrections and that may be one of them. I cannot now recall.</p>	RRA&T 49		
145	National Gallery of Australia	HUMPHRIES	Inquiry into the purchase of works from Mr Kapoor	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Have there been many such inquiries?</p> <p>Dr Radford: Unfortunately, I cannot answer that because we have been told that we cannot legally comment on those detailed investigations. If you would like us to read out the specific thing that we have been given from the Attorney-General's Department, we can.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: I would appreciate any information you can give us that does not compromise that investigation. We have taxpayers' money involved here in these purchases. I think we are entitled to get some information.</p>	RRA&T 50		
146	National Gallery of Australia	HUMPHRIES	Increased electricity prices	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Could you take on notice to give us an idea on what things the gallery has done to accommodate both the efficiency dividend and the increased cost of electricity price?</p> <p>Mr Froud: Will do.</p>	RRA&T 51		
147	Screen Australia	MILNE	Producer Tax Offset	What is the estimated annual financial impact of retaining the AAT's determination of 'documentary' for the purposes of the Producer Tax Offset?	Written		

148	Screen Australia	MILNE	Producer Tax Offset – Additional Costs	What has been the additional cost in total offsets arising solely from the AAT’s decision to date?	Written		
149	4	HUMPHRIES	Reduction in funding for sport programs	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Okay. But my question was: have they fully funded the programs that the Commonwealth evacuated? Have they made up the lost funding by putting the money into their own detection and education programs that the Commonwealth was previously funding? I know they are all doing more but have they actually fully compensated for the loss of those Commonwealth dollars?</p> <p>Mr Eccles: It has not come through yet. There is a long tail to the reduction. We have allowed the sports to roll over their funding so that they can put in place the transition arrangements. I will take on notice the specifics about the extent to which it has increased but I am confident that the nature of trimming has been more than compensated by their own revenue being put into this element of the integrity work program.</p>	RRA&T 16		
150	4	HUMPHRIES	Levels of illicit drug testing	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: With respect to the 2011-12 funding, yes, I accept that. Can you say to me with confidence that after those cuts in the 2012-13 budget and MYEFO the level of testing of athletes in Australian sport did not go down?</p> <p>Mr Eccles: Illicit drug testing?</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Yes.</p> <p>Mr Eccles: We will take that on notice.</p>	RRA&T 16		
151	4	HUMPHRIES	National Integrity of Sport Unit	<p>Senator Lundy: Absolutely not, Senator Humphries. I do not think there is a correlation at all. We have described in some detail and have taken on notice other details about the nature of that budget reduction. But in the meantime there is a whole list of things that we have strengthened as we seek to harden up the environment and support sports to protect their athletes. We are very happy to go through the recent strengthening of the National Integrity of Sport Unit if you would like us to describe what those measures are.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Thank you but I will take that offer on notice...</p>	RRA&T 17		

152	4	HUMPHRIES	Funding for Cricket World Cup and Asian Cup	<p>Mr Eccles: They are very different in terms of the business models that they operate under. In terms of the Cricket World Cup, the International Cricket Council makes a significant contribution to the host organisation, the host local organising committee, whereas, for the Asian Cup, there is no such contribution made by the Asian Football Federation.</p> <p>Senator Lundy: Senator Humphries, the Cricket World Cup, too, is also in partnership with New Zealand so that is, I think, a factor. Also these commitments were initially conveyed under the previous government so we are following up what is essentially a bi-partisan commitment to both events.</p> <p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Okay. Could I ask you to give us a template showing both events what dollars are coming from what areas directly and indirectly for both events from the Commonwealth level. What do you understand to be the state support both direct and indirect?</p>	RRA&T 27-28		
153	4	HUMPHRIES	Breakdown of funding for Asian Cup v Cricket World Cup	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: You cannot tell me how that \$55.7 million breaks up in terms of the agencies as between what they are doing to support the Asian World Cup versus the Cricket World Cup?</p> <p>Mr Eccles: No. We will take it on notice. It has been some time since Australia has hosted a multicity major event like this. In there is nothing in recent times that is commensurate to it. The funding that came on for the Asian Cup for these agencies was first. They, by necessity, had to build up a particular capability. The flow-on funding they required to deliver their guarantees for cricket was going to be less because of the established capability that was able to be derived from the initial injection of funding, if that makes sense.</p>	RRA&T 29-30		
154	4	HUMPHRIES	Funding to IP Australia for Asian Cup	<p>Senator HUMPHRIES: Okay. My last question is: how much are you putting into IP Australia for the Asian Cup?</p> <p>Ms Beauchamp: For the Asian Cup?</p> <p>Mr Eccles: We would have to take it on notice, Senator.</p>	RRA&T 30		

155	Australian Sports Commission	EDWARDS	Drugs in sport	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Given the drugs investigation into Essendon and Cronulla. Does the ASC feel performance enhancing drugs could be prevalent at local sporting levels? 2. Given there are more people playing sport at local and club level than at the elite level. What is ASC doing to stop this happening at a local level? 3. Given that performance enhancing drugs are not policed as heavily at local level as they are at the elite level should parents be concerned these drugs could infiltrate local clubs? 4. Should the ASC be funding programs to educate young athletes about the dangers of performance enhancing drugs? 5. If not, why not? 6. Has the ASC considered offering players an amnesty to encourage players to admit to drug use? If yes, why? If not, why not? 7. Has the ASC offered advice to any other body to encourage them to offer players an amnesty to admit to drug use? If yes who and what was their response? If not, why not? 	Written		
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