

**Division 1: Parliament —**

***[Supplementary Information No A1.]***

*Question: Mr D.A. Templeman asked:* What does it cost per day for Parliament to sit the average number of hours, compared to a non-sitting day? Please provide update figures for 2012–13.

*Answer:* The additional cost to Parliamentary Services and the Legislative Assembly in 2012–13 of a sitting day over a non-sitting day was approximately \$21,700, comprising:

- Staff overtime, superannuation, temporary assistance, meals, and travel and taxi allowances: \$12,700.
- Members' accommodation allowances: \$4,500.
- Contract security staff: \$600.
- Printing costs: \$3,000.
- Increased energy usage: \$750.
- Additional cleaning: \$150.

Note: There are a significant number of variables to consider in calculating the cost of a sitting day, as the sitting hours vary on each day, but this figure represents the average cost for 2012–13.