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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2014-2015
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**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS
ESD- No 10**

Asked by Ms Giulia Jones on 24 June 2014: Minister Corbell, MLA, for the Environment and Sustainable Development took on notice the following questions:

Ref: Hansard Transcript , Select Committee on Estimates 2014-2014, 24 June 2014 pages 73-74

What are the costs over the last 4 years?

How many people are expected to take up the offer for the 'Burn Right Tonight' campaign?

Is the \$36K per annum average for replacements?

How many heaters have been replaced in the last 12 months?

Minster Corbell, MLA, for the Environment and Sustainable Development: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

What are the costs over the last 4 years?

Subsidy numbers and installation types for the last 4 years are as follows:

2013 – 44 subsidies (19 Ducted, 25 Fixed Flue) \$30,200
2012 – 55 subsidies (36 Ducted, 19 Fixed Flue) \$40,200
2011 – 59 subsidies (26 Ducted, 33 Fixed Flue) \$40,600
2010 – 94 subsidies (58 Ducted, 36 Fixed Flue) \$68,000

Ducted gas systems receive an \$800 subsidy with fixed flued gas installations receiving a \$600 subsidy.

How many people are expected to take up the offer for the 'Burn Right Tonight' campaign?

The 'Burn Right Tonight' campaign is an educational tool to inform the public on the correct use of their wood heaters and should not be confused with the Wood Heater Replacement Program (WHRP). The WHRP aims to improve Canberra's air quality by offering a subsidy to eligible householders to replace a wood heater with a new mains supplied gas heater.

Is the \$36K per annum average for replacements?

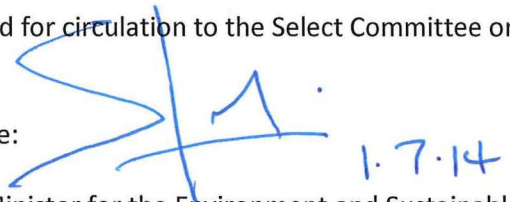
Refer to table above.

How many heaters have been replaced in the last 12 months?

In 2013 44 heaters were replaced. The WHRP runs from the 1st of March to the 30th of December annually. So far this year six wood heaters have been removed from service.

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By the Minister for the Environment and Sustainable Development, Simon Corbell, MLA.

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