

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2010-2011, 23 February 2011

Question: E11-082

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: PREVENTIVE HEALTH TASKFORCE

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Follow-up to question on notice E10- 138. Referred to three background papers (commissioned by the department in 2008) that were provided to the Taskforce. These papers were marked 'Strictly confidential: for the use of Preventative Health Taskforce only'.

- a) If you do not want to release the whole paper, perhaps you could give me a precis of them and who produced them.
- b) I would be interested to know how much you did pay for that.

Answer:

a and b)

Three background papers were commissioned by the Department in May 2008 to provide background information to the Preventative Health Taskforce on tobacco, alcohol and international prevention strategies. Information about these papers was provided to the Committee as part of the answer to question E10-216 from the 2009-10 Additional Estimates hearing held on 10 February 2010.

For information the relevant parts of the response to that question is reproduced below:

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Details of paper</b>	<b>Author(s)</b>	<b>Value (\$)</b>
Monash University	<i>A Rapid Review of Chronic Disease Prevention Strategies and Programs in Selected OECD Countries</i>	S. Fawkes, B. Mouy, B. Oldenburg, R. Watson & A. Abdullah.	\$47,842.00
Turning Point Alcohol and Drug Centre	<i>A Window of Opportunity: Background Paper on the Prevention of Alcohol Misuse and Related Harm</i>	M. Hamilton, R. Room, T. King, M. Livingston & B. Vandenberg	\$24,623.50
Cancer Council Victoria	<i>Tobacco Control in Australia: Making Smoking History</i>	Cancer Council Victoria	\$21,313.00
<b>Total (\$)</b>			<b>\$93,778.50</b>

While the three papers were classified as 'Strictly Confidential –For the use of the Preventative Health Taskforce only', the Department has agreed to release the papers to the Community Affairs Committee. These papers are attached.