

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator: Watt, Murray

Question:

Senator WATT: I understand that the government's election deal with the association committed to an independent evaluation of the commercial environment for diagnostic practices. Who is doing that evaluation?

Mr Bowles: It was conducted by Deloitte.

Senator WATT: You used the past tense. The evaluation has been finished?

Mr Bowles: I will ask Mr Stuart to say a bit more about it.

Mr Stuart: That work is still ongoing. It is not finalised yet, but it has been going along reasonably well, and we are looking forward to seeing the final of that quite soon.

Senator WATT: What were Deloitte paid for their work?

Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice.

Answer:

The total value of the Official Order for Deloitte Access Economics (Deloitte) to undertake an independent evaluation of the commercial environment of comprehensive diagnostic practices is \$149,994 (GST inclusive). The amount paid to 31 March 2017 is \$134,997.