

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012-2013, 17 & 19 October 2012**

**Question: E12-134**

**OUTCOME 0:** Whole of Portfolio

**Topic:** LEGAL COSTS

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

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**Senator:** Senator Boyce

**Question:**

- a) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- b) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- c) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services from private firms for 2011-12? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- d) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.

**Answer:**

It is not practicable to provide details of each service and cost.

**Expenditure from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

(Costs related to defending litigation relating to tobacco plain packaging have been excluded).

Agency	Part A Internal Legal Expenditure	Part B AGS Expenditure (GST incl)	PART C Private Firms (GST Incl.)	Part D Other Sources (GST incl)
Department of Health and Ageing	5,872,310	2,968,641	7,714,772	22,884
Aged Care Standards & Accreditation Agency	-	-	308,244	-
Australia Institute of Health & Welfare	-	22,689	43,863	1,727
Australia Organ & Tissue Donation & Transplantation Authority	15,971	3,566	41,117	-
Australia Radiation Protection & Nuclear Safety Agency	638,145	254,993	4,900	242
Australian National Preventive Health Agency	-	32,299	270,687	17,509
Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care	5,790	5,088	47,297	-
Cancer Australia	-	343	20,122	-
Food Standards Australia and New Zealand	1,138,087	198,633	152,060	-
General Practice Education & Training Ltd	-	-	38,860	-
Health Workforce Australia	352,532	305,698	615,481	-
National Blood Authority	276,156	20,167	214,256	-
National Health & Medical Research Council	158,943	59,409	62,865	-
Private Health Insurance Administration Council	176,940	12,311	9,142	13,636
Private Health Insurance Ombudsman	-	7,534	-	-
Professional Services Review	-	68,071	146,927	-
Office of the Aged Care Commissioner	-	151,103	-	-
Office of the Gene Technology Regulator	174,491	-	-	-
National Industrial Chemicals Notification & Assessment Scheme	47,756	7,037	-	2,288
Independent Hospital Pricing Authority	-	10,283	50,162	-
Therapeutic Goods Administration	2,779,968	603,357	1,071,823	34,983