Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Question

ABCC - Penalties issued by courts

Senator PATERSON: So in the last full financial year, 2015-16, what was the dollar amount of penalties issued by courts in cases brought by the ABCC or, obviously, in this case, its predecessor, the FWBC?

Mr Hadgkiss: Almost \$2 million—\$1.8 million, to be precise—was handed down. Senator PATERSON: And of that \$1.8 million, how much was imposed against the CFMEU? Mr Hadgkiss: I would have to take that on notice. It has been the vast majority.

Answer

In financial year 2015–16, \$1,732,725 of the \$1,826,175 in penalties imposed by the courts were imposed on the CFMEU and its representatives.