Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Indigenous Land Corporation

Outcome/Program: Outcome 2: Indigenous

Topic: Stronger Land Account Bill

Senator: Senator Cory Bernardi **Question reference number:** 158

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Question:

How much has the ILC spent on legal costs for the drafting of the Stronger Land Account Bill?

Please list the cost including departmental costs and details of external contracts.

Answer:

Four ILC staff were allocated to drafting and progressing the Stronger Land Account Exposure draft bill. Each spent various hours on this task and none worked full time on this task.

Estimated total hours: 320

Estimated total staff costs: \$39,505 (including superannuation and workers' compensation)

The ILC also engaged external legal advice, including a specialist legislative drafter. The total cost of the external advice was \$25,502 (\$28,052 including GST).