

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates 30 May – 1 June 2006

Question: bet 13

Topic: Cost of external legal services during 2005-2006

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Senator LUDWIG asked:

- (1) What sum did the department or agency spend during 2005-2006 on external legal services (including private firms, the Australian Government Solicitor and any others).
- (2) What sum did the department or agency spend on internal legal services.
- (3) What is the department or agency's projected expenditure on legal services for 2006-2007.

Answer:

- (1) The total amount spent by Department of the Treasury during 2005-2006 on external services (including private firms, the Australian Government Solicitor and any others) was \$1,652,018.
- (2) Nil - Treasury had no expenditure on internal legal services.
- (3) Treasury's budgeted (projected) expenditure on legal services for 2006-2007 is \$1,368,500.