

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio
Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing 2012-13
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: Legal Costs

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION No.: SI-168

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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

Please refer to AI-242 and BI-196 for costs from 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012. Costs for the period from 1 June 2012 to 30 June 2012 are provided in the following table. Costs are GST exclusive.

Agency	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3	Question 4
DIISRTE	\$216,446	\$27,928	\$482,033	\$2,400
AIATSIS	Nil	Nil	\$34,547	Nil
AIMS	\$34,450	Nil	Nil	Nil
ANSTO	\$54,500	\$14,877	\$47,229	Nil
ARC	\$30,617	\$19,307	Nil	\$11,310 ¹
ASQA	\$57,391	\$18,916	\$38,475	Nil
CSIRO	\$1,079,582	\$27,339	\$210,059	Nil
IP Australia	Nil	\$574,038	\$52,677	Nil
TEQSA	\$263,529 ²	Nil	Nil	Nil

¹ In compliance with the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments.

² This figure incorporates TEQSA's internal legal services expenditure for financial year 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012.