

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio  
Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing 2012-13  
17 October 2012

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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-169

1. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date 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 this financial year to date 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 this financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
4. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.

**ANSWER**

Costs for the 2012-13 financial year to date as at 31 October 2012 are provided in the following table. Costs are GST exclusive.

Agency	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3	Question 4
DIISRTE	\$1,270,094	\$239,464	\$843,362	Nil
AIATSIS	Nil	Nil	\$5,073	Nil
AIMS	\$130,956	Nil	Nil	Nil
ANSTO	\$217,300	\$12,815	\$310,630	Nil
ARC	\$83,494	\$20,686	Nil	\$62,807 <sup>1</sup>
ASQA	\$64,709	\$39,488	\$25,221	Nil
CSIRO	\$2,222,385	\$25,204	\$255,706	\$1,905
IP Australia	Nil	105,835	36,391	Nil
TEQSA	\$126,506 <sup>2</sup>	4,758	7,289	Nil

<sup>1</sup> \$20,930 of the total amount is in compliance with the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments.

<sup>2</sup> This figure does not include overhead costs as complete data for the financial year to 31 October 2012 is not currently available. TEQSA will include that data in its end of year reporting to the Attorney-General's Department and in the published expenditure information on TEQSA's website.