

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
16 FEBRUARY 2006
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

**OFFICE OF THE AUSTRALIAN BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION
COMMISSIONER**

Outcome: Workplace Relations laws are enforced in building and construction industry workplaces

Question Number: W828-06

Question:

Senator Marshall asked at *Hansard* page 99:

Please provide the breakdown on whether or not the ABCC's legal costs under the new arrangements are proportional to what the Building Industry Taskforce's were.

Answer:

Legal Expenditure	Amount (\$)
BIT 1 July 2005 – 30 September 2005	787,119
ABCC 1 October 2005 – 28 February 2006	1,005,432
	1,792,551

- The amount of ABCC legal costs that relate to matters commenced since the inception of the ABCC on 1 October 2005 is \$13,562.