

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Additional Estimates 2010-2011**

**Agency - Australian Building and Construction Commission**

**DEEWR Question No.EW0679\_11**

**Senator Siewert provided in writing.**

**Question**

**ABCC - ARK TRIBE**

What are the total legal costs of pursuing and investigating Ark Tribe by the ABCC and the Commonwealth Department of Public Prosecutions?

**Answer**

*The Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner has provided the following response:*

The ABCC does not cost individual investigations.

The ABCC spent \$681.00 on costs for the section 52 examination which Mr Tribe failed to attend.

The ABCC spent \$2244 on legal advice from external solicitors in relation to the prosecution of Mr Tribe.

The ABCC is not in a position to testify about the expenditure of the CDPP.