

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2011-2012**

Agency - Australian Building and Construction Commission

DEEWR Question No. EW1097_12

Senator Cameron asked on 15 February 2012 , Hansard page 59

Question

ABCC - Procedure and costs of case

Senator CAMERON: Can you take on notice what procedure you undertook to take this case where you could not prove it in any way, shape or form to the courts? Mr Johns: Yes, Senator. Senator CAMERON: And how much it costs.

Answer

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

This proceeding was initiated on 22 September 2009 under the procedures observed by former ABC Commissioner Lloyd.

Regard was had to an assessment by an external legal provider in accordance with the requirements of the Legal Services Directions and the public interest.

The advice was provided by Mr Glen Pauline of Counsel at a cost of \$7,805.75.