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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012-2013

Agency - Fair Work Australia

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Question

FWA - disaggregation of HSU matters

Senator ABETZ: There is another allegation of Mr Thomson's which can go out the window. I will go back to where I started this morning—I should have asked this earlier and my apologies for backtracking. You gave us a figure of \$1.3 million in relation to the two HSU matters combined. Are we able to disaggregate the HSU No.1 matter and the Thomson matter? Ms O'Neill: I will take that on notice. I think the answer is no—or at least not without significant work to disaggregate individual invoices. But I will check that and get back to you. Senator ABETZ: Please do your best.

Answer

Fair Work Australia has provided the following response.

Fair Work Australia has not separately recorded legal expenditure relating to the conduct of the investigations of the Health Services Union Victoria No. 1 Branch and the Health Services Union National Office.