Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Human Services and agencies

Additional Estimates 2005-2006, 14 February 2006

Question: HS45

Outcome 1, Output 2

Topic: Child Support Agency – Legal Expenses

Written Question on Notice:

SENATOR EVANS asked 14/2/2006:

- 1. Please update the information in response to the third part of question on notice HS31 from November Estimates.
- 2. Please also provide this information in respect of the 2005-2006 financial year (to date).

Answer:

- 1. The Child Support Agency spent \$2,746,893.13 on outsourced legal services in 2004-05.
- 2. For the period from 1 July 2005 to 28 February 2006, the Child Support Agency has spent \$2,296,585.86 on outsourced legal services.

This answer required 7 hours at a cost of \$320.00 to prepare.