

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Human Services and agencies

Budget Estimates 2006-2007, 25 May 2006

Question: HS45

Outcome 1, Output 2

Topic: Legal Services Expenditure

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SENATOR LUDWIG asked the Minister for Human Services, upon written notice:

- (1) What sum did the department or agency spend during 2005-2006 on external legal services (including private firms, the Australian Government Solicitor and any others)
- (2) What sum did the department or agency spend on internal legal services.
- (3) What is the department or agency's projected expenditure on legal services for 2006-2007.

Answers:

- (1) For the period 1 July 2005 to 31 May 2006, CSA spent a total of \$3,155,645.30 on outsourced legal services.
- (2) For the period 1 July 2005 to 31 May 2006, CSA spent a total of \$519,596.29 on internal legal services.
- (3) CSA projected expenditure for 2006/07 is \$4,400,000.

To prepare this answer it has taken approximately 3 hours and 15 minutes at an estimated cost of \$182.