

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Question No. 5

Senator Wong asked the following question at the hearing on 13 February 2007:

Monitoring Use of Water in Departments and Agencies

- (1) Is there any requirement to provide details of how much water is used and how much water is saved in the annual reports of each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?
- (2) Is water usage monitored for each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?
- (3) What is the water usage for each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio?
- (4) For each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio, can information be provided on whether dual flush toilets are in place in the buildings they occupy?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- (1) No.
- (2) No.
- (3) Unknown.
- (4) Dual flush capability is in place for the majority of toilets in premises occupied by the Department and portfolio agencies with some having a combination of both. The exception to this is some smaller portfolio offices and Robert Garran Offices that have single flush only due to the age of the accommodation. The Attorney-General's Department will relocate from Robert Garran Offices to a new building in 2009 that will have dual flush toilets, serviced by rain water tanks.