

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 MAY 2012**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(BE12/0023) Program: Internal Product**

Senator Cash (L&CA 25) asked:

What is the budget for 2012-13 for litigation costs – internal and external legal costs – accrued by the department?

*Answer:*

The budget for internal litigation costs for the 2012-13 financial year is \$7.742 million.

The budget for external litigation costs for the 2012-13 financial year is \$13.430 million.