

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012**

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(BE12/0144) Program: Internal Product**

Senator Humphries asked:

What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.

*Answer:*

All of the department's legal services were provided either internally or by external legal service providers. The Department's total legal expenditure is therefore accounted for by the responses to questions BE12/0141, BE12/0142 and BE12/0143.

**MRT/RRT**

The Migration Review Tribunal-Refugee Review Tribunal has spent \$2,849 (including GST) on legal services from counsel in the 2011-12 financial year to 31 March 2012.