

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Question No. 299

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2005:

Cross Outcome

Additional funding for increased responsibilities \$6.2 million

- (a) Is this program complete?
 - (i) If not, how is it being funded now given it was discreetly funded in 2004 and 2005?
 - (ii) If it is receiving continuous funding, please outline anticipated cost?
- (b) Were these funds from 2004 and 2005 fully expended?
- (c) How were the funds expended? (specify allocation)
- (d) Were any positions tied directly to this program?
 - (i) If yes, now the program has been expired are they redundant?
- (e) Did it meet budget?
- (f) How much did it go over or under?
- (g) Please provide a breakdown of final expenditure?

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

- (a) In the 2005-06 Budget continuing funding of \$6.0 million per year ongoing was provided for the period 2005-06 to 2007-08, reducing to \$5.7 million in 2008-09.
- (b)-(g) The funding has been absorbed into the ongoing base funding of the Department. The Department's base funding is fully allocated to meet priorities on a year by year basis. Components of the base funding are not tracked separately.