

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
COMMONWEALTH DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

Question No. 103

Senator Fisher asked the following question following the hearing on 19 October 2009:

How many cases is the Office of the CDPP currently pursuing?

- a) Is the Office appropriately resourced to handle its current workload,
- b) how many cases has the Office prosecuted this year,
- c) how many prosecutions were successful, and
- d) what is the value of proceeds of crime confiscated this year?

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

As at 30 September 2009 the Office was pursuing 4918 matters.

- a) The CDPP is operating within the budget allocated to it.
- b) In 2008-2009 the Office prosecuted 5000 matters summarily and 587 matters on indictment.
- c) In 2008-2009 a total of 4947 defendants were convicted following summary prosecution and a total of 558 defendants were convicted following prosecution on indictment.
- d) In 2008-2009 the Office recovered \$18,313,516 under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) and \$888,003 under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 1987* (Cth).