Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Inquiry into Treasury Legislation Amendment (Professional Standards) Bill 2003
29 March 2004

Question: Commonwealth litigation

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Senator Conroy asked:

Is the Treasury aware of how many professional contractors have been sued by the Commonwealth over, say, the last 10 years?

Answer:

Treasury is not aware of the very detailed information sought in the honorable senator's question being readily available in consolidated form and it would be a major task to collect and assemble it. The practice of successive governments has been not to authorise the expenditure of time and money involved in assembling such information on a general basis.