

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

National e-Health Transition Authority (NeHTA)

Budget Estimates 2011-12, Supplementary Estimates

**Question: 43**

OUTCOME 10.2: e-Health

Topic: Legal costs

Senator McKenzie asked:

**What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.**

**What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.**

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

**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:

NEHTA does not employ in-house lawyers therefore all expert legal advice is obtained from third party providers. The predominance of legal advice is obtained on contract and employment matters.