

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

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Question: AET 1047-1050

Topic: Legal Costs

Written: Received from Committee – 22 February 2013

Senator BUSHBY asked:

1047. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date (22 February 2013) within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
1048. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date (22 February 2013) from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
1049. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date (22 February 2013) from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
1050. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date (22 February 2013) from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.

Answer:

1047. The Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) spent \$2,690,533.35 on legal services for the financial year to 22 February 2013.
1048. APRA spent \$9,537.00 on legal services from the Australian Government Solicitor for the financial year to 22 February 2013.
1049. APRA spent \$755,695.54 on legal services from private firms for the financial year to 22 February 2013.
1050. APRA spent \$310,794.63 on legal services from other sources (counsel briefed directly) for the financial year to 22 February 2013.