

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

17 October – 18 October 2012

Question: SBT 1315-1322

Topic: Legal Costs (APRA)

Written: Received from Committee – 26 October 2012

Senator BUSHBY asked:

- 1315. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- 1316. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- 1317. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- 1318. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- 1319. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date (26 October 2012) within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- 1320. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date (26 October 2012) from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- 1321. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date (26 October 2012) from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- 1322. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date (26 October 2012) from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.

Answer:

- 1315. The Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) spent \$4,605,850.21 on legal services for the 2011-12 financial year.
- 1316. APRA spent \$16,007.42 on legal services from the Australian Government Solicitor for the 2011-12 financial year.
- 1317. APRA spent \$1,976,592.66 on legal services from private firms for the 2011-12 financial year.
- 1318. APRA spent \$184,445.75 on legal services from other sources (counsel briefed directly) for the 2011-12 financial year.

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- 1319. APRA has spent \$1,275,677.52 on legal services for the financial year to 26 October 2012.
- 1320. APRA has spent \$9,537.00 on legal services from the Australian Government Solicitor for the financial year to 26 October 2012.
- 1321. APRA spent \$256,046.16 on legal services from private firms for the financial year to 26 October 2012.
- 1322. APRA spent \$263,404.25 on legal services from other sources (counsel briefed directly) for the financial year to 26 October 2012.