

**Attorney-General's Portfolio – Commissioned Reports**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Date commissioned</b>	<b>Date received</b>	<b>Date released</b>	<b>Terms of reference</b>	<b>Committee members</b>	<b>Cost (exclusive of GST)</b>	<b>AGD Staff (number and level)</b>	<b>Current status</b>	<b>Response date</b>
Impact of Commonwealth Laws on those Experiencing Family Violence (ALRC)	9 July 2010	Report still in progress	N/A	<p>What, if any, improvements could be made to relevant legal frameworks to protect the safety of those experiencing family/domestic violence.</p> <p>Consider legislative arrangements across the Commonwealth that impact on those experiencing family/domestic violence and sexual assault and whether those arrangements impose barriers to effectively supporting those adversely affected by these types of violence. Consider whether the extent of sharing of information across the Commonwealth and with State and Territory agencies is appropriate to protect the safety of those experiencing family/domestic violence.</p>	Advisory Committee to be constituted.	\$823,623 estimated (excluding AGD staff, including ALRC staff, travel costs and incidentals to travel)	<p>Administration of the ALRC (incl. development of terms of reference) is the responsibility of a Branch of AGD.</p> <p>ALRC staff working on the inquiry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SES 3 x 1</li> <li>• EL 2 x 2</li> <li>• EL 1 x 2</li> <li>• LO 7 x 1</li> <li>• LO 6 x 1</li> </ul>	Currently scoping terms of reference and preparing research plan towards production of a consultation paper for release in April 2011. Consultations with key stakeholders will begin in December including the constituting of an Advisory Committee and meeting in December.	N/A
Review of NT Aboriginal Interpreter Service arrangements	14 June 2010	N/A	N/A	<p>The Attorney-General's Department administers a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Australian and Northern Territory Governments for interpreter services to Indigenous Australians.</p> <p>The purpose of the review is to determine the effectiveness of the MOU in meeting the agreed objectives including alleviating language barriers faced by Aboriginal people in the Northern Territory, and examine the options for the continued provision of services. The review will assist with the development of a new agreement.</p>	N/A	\$54,545 (excluding AGD staffing costs met within existing Departmental resources, including travel costs and incidentals to travel)	FTE 0.20 EL1 FTE 0.05 EL2	Draft consultant report with the Department for consideration.	N/A
Review of Program Administration (Final Report)	31 March 2010	September 2010	Tabled at Supp Budget Estimates on 18 October 2010	The review was initiated by the Department as part of a continuous improvement program for grants administration.	N/A	\$70,127 (excluding staffing costs met within existing Departmental resources, travel and incidentals to travel)	KPMG interviewed staff to obtain information for the report, but otherwise the report was prepared solely by KPMG.	Tabled at Supplementary Budget Estimates on 18 October 2010.	A taskforce has been set up within the Department to address the recommendations in the report.