SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Portfolio

Ouestion No. 137

Senator Humphries asked the following question at the hearing on 16 October 2012:

Freedom of Information

- 1. Has the department/agency received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests?
- 2.
- a) What is the total cost to the department/agency to process FOI requests for 2011-12?
- b) How many FOI requests did the department/agency receive in 2011-12?
- c) How many requests were denied and how many were granted?
- d) Did the department fail to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many? Do any of these requests remain outstanding?
- 3.
- a) What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date?
- b) How many FOI requests has the Department received for this financial year to date?
- c) How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted?
- d) Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many and why? Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

It has come to the CrimTrac's attention that the figures for Questions 3b) and 3c) provided in the original response to these questions were incorrectly calculated. The correct figures for Question 3b) and 3c) have been calculated and are as follows:

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- b) Five requests (including 2 subsequently withdrawn).
- c) One request refused and 2 requests granted (1 request outstanding).