Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2011-2012, 15 February 2012

Question: E12-213

OUTCOME 1: Population Health

Topic: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

How much has the Gillard Government set aside to fight the High Court challenge brought about by tobacco companies in relation to its plain packaging legislation?

Answer:

The Government does not intend to disclose in advance figures associated with defending these legal actions as public disclosure of this information may confer a tactical advantage on the other parties in the litigation.