

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO**

**Budget Estimates 2013-14, 5/6 & 7 June 2013**

**Question:** E13-085

**OUTCOME:** 0 - Whole of Portfolio

**Topic:** Legal Costs

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Smith

**Question:**

- a) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- b) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- c) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- d) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.

**Answer:**

It is not practicable to provide details of each service and cost.  
Please note, figures exclude expenditure in relation to litigation arising from the Tobacco Plain Packaging Legislation.

**Expenditure from 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013**

Departmental	Part A Internal Legal Expenditure	Part B AGS Expenditure (GST incl)	PART C Private Firms (GST Incl.)	Part D Other Sources (GST incl)
DoHA	6,459,270	2,620,737	5,567,126	-
Office of the Aged Care Commissioner	-	157,657	-	-
Office of the Gene Technology Regulator	165,996	-	-	-
National Industrial Chemicals Notification & Assessment Scheme	26,833	165,421	-	6,821
Therapeutic Goods Administration	2,654,568	213,734	974,937	-
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>9,306,667</b>	<b>3,157,549</b>	<b>6,542,063</b>	<b>6,821</b>

Portfolio Agencies	Part A Internal Legal Expenditure	Part B AGS Expenditure (GST incl)	PART C Private Firms (GST Incl.)	Part D Other Sources (GST incl)
Aged Care Standards & Accreditation Agency	-	-	240,241	-
Australia Institute of Health & Welfare	-	98,154	2,085	1,696
Australia Organ & Tissue Donation & Transplantation Authority	62,748	-	51,527	-
Australia Radiation Protection & Nuclear Safety Agency	552,475	16,865	-	2,236
Australian National Preventive Health Agency	-	11,679	57,000	17,518
Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care	-	40,598	3,047	-
Cancer Australia	-	4,200	-	807
Food Standards Australia and New Zealand	1,053,875	247,067	73,797	3,385
General Practice Education & Training Ltd	-	61,512	39,026	-
Health Workforce Australia	325,150	57,170	33,314	-
National Blood Authority	245,432	242	143,737	-
National Health & Medical Research Council	224,708	54,912	159,498	-
Private Health Insurance Administration Council	247,299	-	-	43,840
Private Health Insurance Ombudsman	-	7,177	-	-
Professional Services Review	173,573	18,190	126,149	-
National Health Performance Authority	-	31,400	-	-
Independent Hospital Pricing Authority	-	88,573	68,773	-