

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
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**Department/ Agency:** Royal Australian Mint

**Question:** BET 3142

**Topic:** Legal Costs

**Reference:** Written – 12 June 2014

**Senator:** Ludwig

**Question:**

3142. List all legal costs incurred by the department or agency since Additional Estimates in February, 2014

- a) List the total cost for these items, broken down by source of legal advice, hours retained or taken to prepare the advice and the level of counsel used in preparing the advice, whether the advice was internal or external
- b) List cost spend briefing Counsel, broken down by hours spend briefing, whether it was direct or indirect briefing, the gender ratio of Counsel, how each Counsel was engaged (departmental, ministerial)
- c) How was each piece of advice procured? Detail the method of identifying legal advice

**Answer:**

3142. Please find breakdown below for each expenditure item in relation to the Legal Costs;

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<u>Legal Expenditure by Vendor</u>	<u>Services Provided to Royal Australian Mint</u>	<u>Amount</u>
AUST GOVT SOLICITORS	Employee S - FEES	-2,530.00
	Advice Re Collection of Personal Info fees	-2,227.50
	Contract with Reserve Bank of New Zealand RAM-Cooperation Agreement on Gallipoli Commemorative Coins	-16,089.15 -10,840.50
MADDOCKS OFFICE OF PARLIAMENTARY COUNSEL	Establishment of New Entity	-5,886.82
	FRLI lodgement fee - registered 23/8/13 - F2013L01617	-430.00
	FRI Compilation Registration lodgement fee	-1,920.00
	FRI Compilation Registration -Lodgement fee 12/9/13	-1,664.00
	FRI Compilation Registration -Lodgement fee 7/2/14	-670.00
	FRLI lodgement fee - registered 10/4/2014 - F2014LOO394	-490.00
	FRLI lodgement fee - registered 4/4/2014 Australian Patent Appication No 2012250479 for Coin Capsule Ref. 41061ROY/RF	-610.00 -429.00
PIZZEYS	European Patent Application No. 12779591.2 for Coin Capsule	-1,405.37
	<b>Total</b>	<b>-45,192.34</b>

a) Nil response.

b) Nil response.

c) Nil response.