

**Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

**Agency - Workplace Gender Equality Agency**

**Department of Employment Question No. EM1071\_15**

**Senator Ludwig provided in writing.**

**Question**

**WGEA - Legal Costs**

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. List all legal costs incurred by the department or agency
2. 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
3. List cost spend briefing Counsel, broken down by hours spent briefing, whether it was direct or indirect briefing, the gender ratio of Counsel, how each Counsel was engaged (departmental, ministerial)
4. How was each piece of advice procured? Detail the method of identifying legal advice

**Answer**

1. Nil.
- 2–4 N/A.