

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016

Agency - Fair Work Commission

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ15-000483

Senator McKenzie provided in writing.

Question

FWC - External reviews

Has the FWC engaged consultants within the last 24 months to conduct reviews or analysis of the Commission's management of internal operations, management of travel or resourcing, or distribution of work amongst members of the Commission or its staff?

If so, has the FWC received the report, or a draft of the report?

- Please provide the identity of the consultant; and
- Please provide the scope of their review;
- Please provide the cost of the review; and
- Please provide a copy of any report.

Answer

Identity of consultant	Scope of review	Cost of the review (incl. GST)	Copy of report provided?
Centre for Innovative Justice	Review of the unfair dismissal pro bono pilot program in Victoria	\$2200	Published on the Commission website (www.fwc.gov.au/documents/documents/resources/RMITProBonoPilotReview.pdf)
Inca Consulting Pty Ltd	Review of agreements pilot	\$10 753	Published on the Commission website (www.fwc.gov.au/documents/documents/resources/EA-pilot-review-final-report-May-2015.pdf)
Inca Consulting Pty Ltd	Review of General Protections Pilot	\$10 753	Published on the Commission website (www.fwc.gov.au/creating-fair-workplaces/research/general-protections-pilot-program)
RMIT	Review of changes in industry work of the Fair Work Commission	\$12 507*	Report not finalised
KPMG	Comparative review of best practice in courts and tribunals, including performance measures.	\$252 300	The report is intended to be made publicly available and can be provided to the Committee following internal consideration and discussion.

*The Commission has not yet received its final invoice requiring payment for this review. As at 10 February 2016, the Commission has paid \$9 900. Consultants engaged to undertake internal and external audit functions and specific project reviews have not been included.