

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014-15

Finance Portfolio

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Topic: Total cost of legal fees relating to compensation claims

Senator: Xenophon

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Question:

How much money in total has been spent on legal advice unrelated to court proceedings with regards to these claims?

Answer:

In relation to Cornwell-related compensation claims (claims by current and former Commonwealth employees that they were given misleading advice in relation to choice of superannuation), the total amount spent on legal advice unrelated to court proceedings is \$5,044,297.05 from mid 2007 until 3 December 2014.