QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 27 February 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE17/174) - Legal budget - Internal Product (DIBP)

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

What is the Department's budget for legal services?

- Please provide a breakdown per year over the last five years.

Answer:

The Legal Division has been allocated \$71.165m in FY2016-2017. Table 1 shows the total budget allocated to the Legal Division over the last five years.

Table 1 - Total legal services budget by year

	Total allocated budget ¹
FY2016-2017	71,164,689
FY2015-2016	78,023,683
FY2014- 2015 ²	63,982,598
FY2013- 2014 ³	56,014,394
FY2012- 2013 ⁴	52,357,156

¹ Amounts reflect the legal division's total allocated budget by financial year. Includes both internal legal resources and external legal expenses. ^{2,3,4} Amounts include budgets for; the Department of Immigration and Border Protection; and the Australian Customs and Border

Protection Service, prior to integration in FY2015-2016.