

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Portfolio  
Budget Estimates Hearing 2011-12  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** INNOVATION, INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND RESEARCH

**TOPIC:** Legal Costs

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator Abetz

**QUESTION No.:** BI-64

- 1) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services FYTD within the department and agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- 2) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services FYTD from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- 3) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services FYTD from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- 4) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services FYTD from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.

**ANSWER**

**Note on Costs:**

Costs are inclusive of GST except for those agencies specified with asterisk.

**Note on Acronyms:**

<b>Acronym</b>	<b>Department/Agency</b>
DIISR	Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research
AIATSIS	Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies
AIMS	Australian Institute of Marine Science
ANSTO	Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation
ARC	Australian Research Council
CSIRO	Commonwealth Science and Industrial Research Organisation
IP Australia	IP Australia

**QUESTION 1**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Services</b>	<b>Costs</b>
DIISR	In-house legal services	\$1,945,913.89
AIMS *	In-house legal services	\$475,798.00
ANSTO *	In-house legal services	\$590,000.00
ARC	In-house legal services	\$79,519.00
CSIRO	In-house legal services	\$5,565,909.50

**QUESTION 2**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Services</b>	<b>Costs</b>
DIISR	Sixteen matters related to workplace and employment law	\$88,294.44
	Five matters related to litigation	\$71,741.59
	Thirty two matters related to commercial/property law	\$179,574.85
	Thirty five matters related to administrative law	\$516,890.59
AIMS *	One matter related to commercial law	\$3,806.00
ANSTO	Twenty five matters related to freedom of information requests	\$110,151.88
ARC	Services related to administrative law	\$42,199.00
CSIRO	NB: The CSIRO system cannot provide this level of detail	\$366,395.00
IP Australia	Six matters related to commercial law	\$64,382.00
	Nine matters related to administrative law	\$15,638.00
	Nine matters related to workplace and employment	\$20,735.00
	Forty one matters related to intellectual property	\$413,140.00

**QUESTION 3**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Services</b>	<b>Costs</b>
DIISR	Two matters related to workplace and employment law	\$18,500.90
	Two matters related to intellectual property	\$40,571.19
	Sixteen matters related to litigation	\$990,042.38
	Nine matters related to commercial law	\$93,450.17
	Seventy one matters related to administrative law	\$1,046,817.60
AIATSIS	One matter related to administrative law	\$441.00
	One matter related to workplace and employment	\$15,053.00
	One matter related to general issue	\$4,005.00
AIMS *	One matter related to administrative law	\$1,613.00
	One matter related to workplace and employment	\$6,548.00
	One matter related to general advice	\$219.00
ANSTO	Ten matters related to workplace and employment	\$200,225.99
	Seven matters related to commercial/property law	\$230,228.81
	Fifteen matters related to administrative law	\$463,760.06
	One hundred and ten matters related to intellectual property	\$201,280.73
CSIRO	NB: The CSIRO system cannot provide this level of detail	\$617,085.38
IP Australia	One matter related to intellectual property	\$15,932.00

**QUESTION 4**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Services</b>	<b>Costs</b>
DIISR	One matter related to administrative law	\$809.40
CSIRO	NB: The CSIRO system cannot provide this level of detail	\$9,187.30