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Question No. 69

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 23 February 2009:

Provide the cost to the Department, for both the previous and current financial year, associated with the implementation of the new personal property and securities legislative regime. Provide a breakdown of these costs and a list of consultancies, reviews and other outsourcing arrangements that have been undertaken in the 2007-08 and the 2008-09 financial years.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The Department's total expenditure on personal property securities reform in 2007-08 was \$7.239 million. This was made up of \$2.073 million in employee expenses, \$1.807 million in suppliers expenses, \$0.712 million in overheads and \$2.647 million in capital.

The Department's total expenditure on personal property securities reform in 2008-09 to 31 January 2009 was \$8.158 million. This was made up of \$1.577 million in employee expenses, \$1.856 million in suppliers expenses, \$1.411 million in overheads and \$3.313 million in capital.

The consultancies and contracts entered into by the Department in relation to personal property securities reform in 2007-08 and 2008-09 to 31 January 2009 are set out below:

Name	Description of Services	Term	Contract Value (inc. variations)
2007-08			
Oakton	Project management, procurement and IT support services to the PPS project.	15 October 2007 to 28 February 2009	\$6,371,449
CSS Technology Recruiters renamed Clicks IT Recruitment	Business analyst services to document business and service requirements associated with the PPS Register.	3 December 2007 to 30 June 2009	\$547,536
Southern Cross Computing	ICT technical architect services to document business and service requirements associated with the PPS Register.	15 August 2008 to 30 June 2008	\$333,560
RSM Bird Cameron	Probity advisor services to the PPS project.	3 April 2008 to 31 October 2008	\$37,200
Acumen (Oakton)	Business analyst services to document business and service requirements associated with the PPS Register.	18 January 2008 to 29 February 2008	\$25,080
Piper Alderman	Expert commercial legal advice on the PPS Reform.	22 October 2007 to 28 February 2008	\$10,000
face2face Recruitment	Project management services to develop a PPS demonstration website.	1 July 2007 to 31 October 2007	\$8,583
2008-09			
Kaz Group	Provision of systems design, development and integration services for establishment of the PPS Register.	18 November 2008 to 5 May 2012	\$9,774,875
WD Scott Asia	Business analyst services to document business and service requirements associated with the PPS Register contact centre.	10 July 2008 to 11 September 2009	\$86,108
Acumen (Oakton)	Business analyst services for the PPS Register payment gateway.	28 July 2008 to 8 August 2008	\$25,080