SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

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Question No. 141

Senator Boyce asked the following question at the hearing on 8 February 2010:

By July 2009, family dispute resolution practitioners were required to have skills in domestic and family violence and family law environment.

- a) How many practitioners are there?
- b) How many have completed training and/or are already qualified?
- c) How much funding was allocated and how much has been spent?

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

- a) As of 8 February 2010, 1354 practitioners have been accredited under the *Family Law (Family Dispute Resolution Practitioners) Regulations 2008*.
- b) 1195 practitioners have completed the subsidised training.
- c) The subsidised training scheme was allocated \$3 million with a total cost of \$1,730,000.