## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

## **ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 FEBRUARY 2011**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(31) Program: Internal Product

Senator Cash asked:

What was the department's legal bill in 2009-10 and so far this financial year?

## Answer.

In the 2009-10 financial year the department paid \$17 843 358 for external legal services. For the current financial year to 28 February 2011 the department has paid \$11 957 364 for external legal services.