

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

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Question No. 11

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 24 May 2006:

In relation to the Family Relationship Centre tender process:

- a) Is the KPMG report on the financial viability of applicants available to the committee?
- b) Can the Deloitte report be provided to the committee when it is finalised?
- c) How many applicants were there in total?

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

- a) KPMG reports on the financial viability of applicants include information submitted by applicants with the expectation that it be treated as commercial-in-confidence. Public release of this information may prevent applicants from submitting financial information in future or participating fully in future application processes. For these reasons it would not be appropriate to release the reports to the Committee.
- b) A decision will be taken on the release of the Deloitte report once it is finalised
- c) The Attorney-General's Department received 32 requests for funding applications for the first 15 Family Relationship Centres.