

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

Program All

Question No. 96

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 18 October 2010:

- a. Has the portfolio paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (ie within 30 days)? If not, why not, and what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached.
- b. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and, if so, how much has been paid by the portfolio for the current financial year and the previous financial year?
- c. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?

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

Details for the Attorney-General's Department and agencies in the Attorney-General's portfolio are at Attachment A.