

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, LEGAL COSTS

393. Mr KOBELKE to the Minister for Primary Industry; Fisheries:

- (1) What was the total of all payments, whether for legal advice or other work, paid by all agencies within the Minister's current portfolios in 1998-99 to each of the following law firms, including payments to related parties, and their costs -
  - (a) Blake Dawson Waldron;
  - (b) Clayton Utz;
  - (c) Corrs Chambers Westgarth;
  - (d) Freehill Hollingdale & Page;
  - (e) Jackson McDonald;
  - (f) Mallesons Stephen Jacques;
  - (g) Minter Ellison;
  - (h) Phillips Fox;
  - (i) Pullinger Stewart; and
  - (j) Skea Nelson & Hager?
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Mr HOUSE replied:

Fisheries WA

- (1) 1998-99
  - (a)-(j) Nil
- (2) 1997-98
  - (a)-(b) Nil
  - (c) \$50
  - (d)-(e) Nil
  - (f) \$1,650
  - (g)-(i) Nil
  - (j) \$315

Agriculture WA

- (1) 1998-99
  - (a) Nil
  - (b) \$500
  - (c) Nil
  - (d) \$4,755
  - (e) Nil
  - (f) \$5,290
  - (g) \$5,455
  - (h)-(i) Nil
  - (j) \$12,088
- (2) 1997-98
  - (a) Nil
  - (b) \$891

- (c) \$50
- (d) \$3,527
- (e)-(f) Nil
- (g) \$25,033
- (h)-(i) Nil
- (j) \$16,397