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GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, LEGAL ADVICE, EXPENDITURE

261. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Attorney General; Minister for Health; Electoral Affairs.

Will the Attorney General provide the following for each Department and Agency under the Attorney General's control, including the Ministerial office -

- (a) the total amount spent on legal advice since 1 July 2003;
- (b) the name of each provider of legal advice;
- (c) the amount paid to each provider of legal advice; and
- (d) the service for which the payments were made?

Mr J.A. McGINTY replied:

Ministerial Office

(a) Nil.

(b)-(d) Not applicable.

Department of Health

(a) \$1,831,837.52

(u)	Ψ1,031,037.32	
(b)& (c)	Name	Amount
	Allan Scalise	\$2,172.50
	Allens Arthur Robinson	\$24,818.27*
	Blake Dawson Waldron	\$252,314.86
	Carol Johns	\$2,000.00
	CBA Legal	\$231.00
	Clayton Utz	\$5,180.00
	Crawford and Co Australia	\$1,635.70
	Department of Justice	\$93,353.57
	Department of Treasury and Finance	\$1,127.00
	Dibbs Abbott Stillman	\$43,692.92
	Dibbs Barker Gosling	\$92,530.46
	Geoffrey Hancy	\$9,100.00
	Hager and Partners	\$3,319.00
	Haynes Robinson	\$188.82
	Helen Morton	\$670.50
	Hoffmans	\$4,715.00
	Jackson McDonald	\$77,649.63
	Jenny Pickworth	\$50,598.00
	Jeremy Allanson	\$18,294.81
	KJ Martin	\$2,675.00
	Mallesons	\$8,767.20
	Mark Umstad	\$550.00
	McAuliffe Williams & Partners	\$50,092.29
	Minter Ellison	\$4,216.00
	Mullins Hancock	\$23,891.26
	Peter Quinlan	\$1,540.00
	Phillips Fox	\$3,316.60
	Professor Roger Pepperell	\$500.00
	R J Aitken	\$1,059.00
	Slater and Gordon	\$38845.26*
	Sparke Helmore	\$8,859.62
	Sparke Helmore	\$43,976.45*
	State Solicitor's Office	\$1,007,530.41
	Sutherland Legal	\$528.50
	Talbot and Oliver	\$268.00
	United Medical Protection	\$1,032.50
	Victorian Government Solicitor	\$1,784.20
	Victorian State Solicitor's Office	\$967.16

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VSA Property \$3,417.00 Wojtowics Kelly \$624.55 Wray and Associates \$15,075.00

(c)

\$21119.82

(d) Services provided related to general and litigation matters, lease renewals, patent applications and medical litigation advice.

(d)

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

(a) \$521282.35. (b)

(0)	(0)	(u)
Michelle Wolstenholme	\$29,277.03	Consultant to Magistrates Court Reform Project
Fiocco's Lawyers drafting of	\$29140.00	Consultant to Magistrates Court Reform Project -
_		Rules of Court
Jeremy Allanson	\$3845.45	Advice on Magistrates Court Civil Procedures Bill
Paul Nichols	\$1800.00	General Legal Advice
Legal Aid WA	\$168097.18	Criminal Procedure Bill Project - drafting
Gail Ann Archer	\$69576.67	Instructing Officer on the Criminal Procedure Bill 2004,
the		
		Criminal Appeals Bill 2004 and the Criminal Procedure
and		
		Appeals (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2004.
Judy Eckert	\$198426.20	Consultant Fees regarding SAT Bill 2003 and the SAT
		(Conferral of Jurisdiction) Amendment and Repeal Bill

Legislative drafting

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

Jennifer Pickworth

- (a) Nil.
- (b)-(d) Not applicable.

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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

- (a) \$5,703.21
- (b) Kott Gunning Lawyers and Ms Catherine Crawford
- (c) \$1,921.96 was paid to Kott Gunning Lawyers and \$3,781.25 was paid to Ms Catherine Crawford
- (d) The service related to legal advice for industrial relations matters.

LAW REFORM COMMISSION

- (a) Nil.
- (b)-(d) Not applicable.

LEGAL AID WA

Date of Service	Name of Consultant	Purpose of Engagement	Amount
8 July 2005	Deacons	Perth Office Lease	4,104.50

OFFICE OF THE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

- (a) Nil.
- (b)-(d) Not applicable.

OFFICE OF HEALTH REVIEW

- (a) Nil.
- (b)-(d) Not applicable.

^{*} An amount of \$71,270.52 was recouped from the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing.

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STATE SOLICITOR'S OFFICE

(a) \$1,836,310.99 as at 31 August 2005

(b)-(d)	K Pettit QC	\$649,258.15	Legal advice and counsel
	P Hannan	\$28,534.00	Legal advice and counsel
	C L Zelestis QC	\$311,547.50	Legal advice and counsel
	P A Panegyres	\$25,700.00	Legal advice and counsel
	J Waters	\$202,035.91	Legal advice and counsel
	R Webb QC	\$183,389.94	Legal advice and counsel
	V Hughston	\$377,000.49	Legal advice and counsel
	I Vodanovich	\$58,845.00	Research and legal advice

W.A. ELECTORAL COMMISSION

- (a)-(c) The State Solicitor's Office provides all legal advice required by the Electoral Commissioner. While the Electoral Commissioner is advised of the value of the advice for accrual accounting purposes, there is no requirement for payment to be made. The value of advice received since 1 July 2003 is \$59,456.17.
 - A further \$122.10 was actually paid to the State Solicitor for legal advice on the Election roll scanning contract.
- (d) Interpretation of the *Electoral Act 1907*, the *Local Government Act 1995* and legal advice on the Election roll scanning contract.